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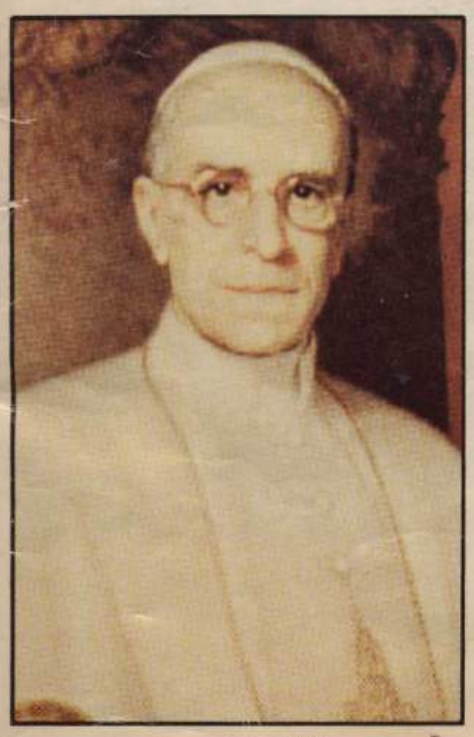

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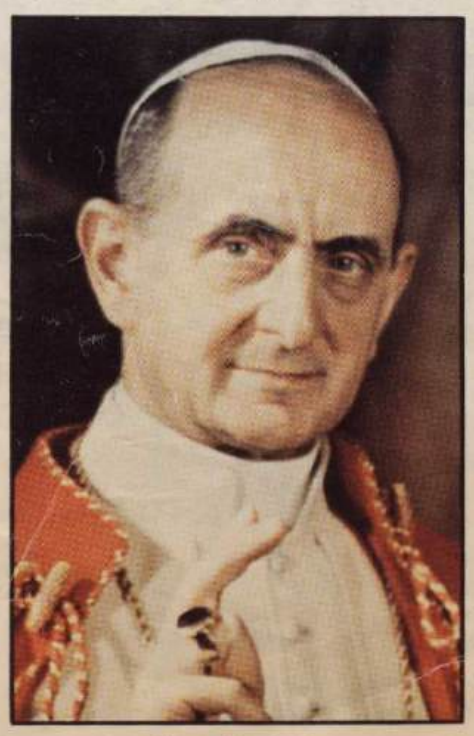

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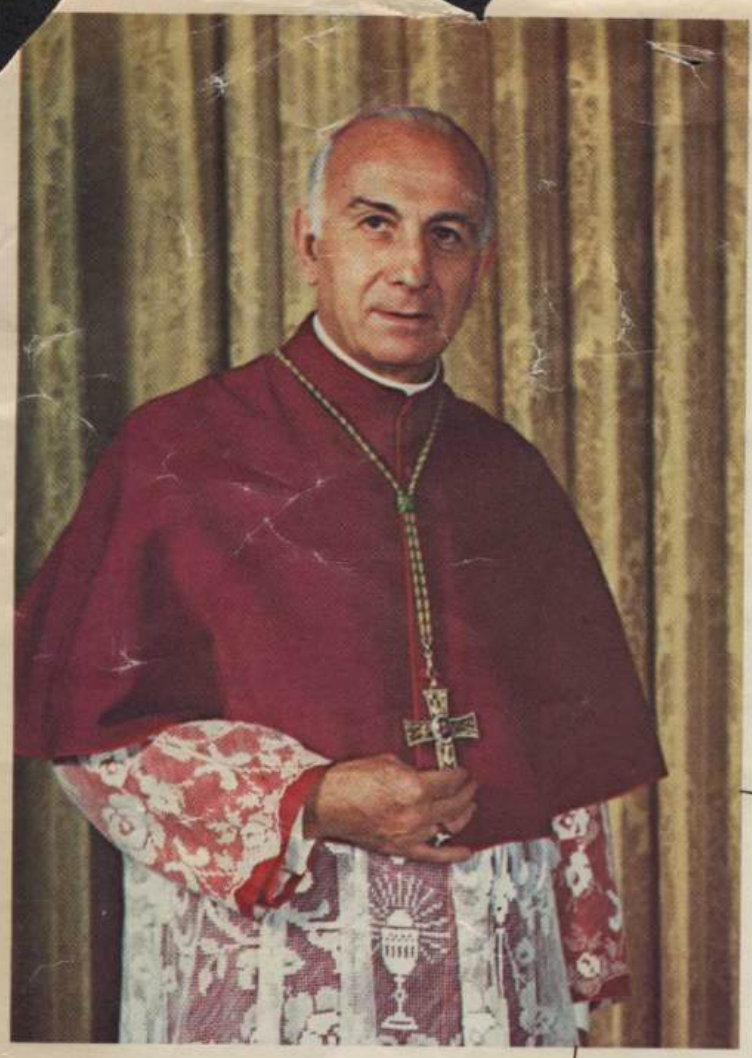

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His Excellency The Most Revere[illegible], S.T.D., J.C.D.
Titular of Mau[illegible]iana

Born in Castiglione, Italy on May 21, 1922; ordained for the Diocese of Faenza, April 20, 1946. Entered the diplomatic service of the Holy See, March, 1952; serving in Nicaragua, the United States of America (1954-1961) and India. Assigned to the Council for the Public Affairs of the Church, February, 1964. Appointed Apostolic Delegate in Jerusalem and Palestine and named Titular Archbishop of Mauriana, May 24, 1969; serving also as Apostolic Pro-Nuncio in Cyprus since May, 1971 and Apostolic Visitator to Greece since January, 1972. Named Apostolic Nuncio in Argentina, April 25, 1974. Designated Apostolic Delegate in the United States of America and Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the Organization of American States, December 10, 1980.

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January 30, 1982

Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka
Bishop of Gary
975 West Sixth Avenue
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Dear Bishop Grutka:

For some time, I have been looking forward to the celebration of the Twenty Fifth Anniversary of the Diocese of Gary and of your Consecration as the First Ordinary on February 21-22, 1982. I deeply regret that I will not be able to participate as planned since I have been called to Rome for an important meeting at the same time.

Pope John Paul II wishes me to convey, at least by letter, his personal greetings on the happy occasion which is a most propitious one to renew and strengthen those bonds of communion within the Church Universal and the local diocesan community.

In this way there is realized that unity of Christ's flock for which our Saviour ardently prayed (Jn. 17:11) and which is proposed to the world as a luminous and fruitful example of mutual solidarity and cooperation in the name of the unique and lofty Christian ideal. This ideal can be reached only by cultivating a relationship of deep and stable communion with the Lord by recognizing the primacy of the spiritual, of interiority and accepting concretely and in everyday life Christ's word.

The Holy Father earnestly encourages you to continue with zeal, intelligence and enthusiasm in the service for the Church in Gary which you have carried out with praiseworthy love and diligence for the past twenty-five years.

In this spirit, Pope John Paul II gladly imparts a special Apostolic Blessing upon Your Excellency and all who are sharing in the Dual Jubilee Celebration.

With my own prayerful congratulations and good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Pio Laghi
Apostolic Delegate

OUR SILVER JUBILEE COVER STORY

The cover of this special edition of the GARY SUNDAY VISITOR features the five Roman Pontifs who have exercised the supreme pastoral ministry over the Universal Catholic Church in the past twenty-five years, during the time that the local Church at Gary has been guided by its chief pastor, **Bishop Andrew G. Grutka.**

Our present Holy Father is **Pope John Paul II** *(Karol Wojtyla)*, who assumed the Chair of Saint Peter on October 16, 1978.

Predecessors in the Pontificate (pictured on the front cover from left to right) were:

Pope Pius XII *(Eugenio Pacelli)*, Supreme Pontiff from March 2, 1939 until October 9, 1958;

Pope John XXIII *(Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli)*, Supreme Pontiff from October 28, 1958 until June 3, 1963;

Pope Paul VI *(Giovanni Battista Montini)*, Supreme Pontiff from June 21, 1963 until August 6, 1978;

Pope John Paul I *(Albino Luciani)*, Supreme Pontiff from August 26, 1978 until September 28, 1978.

The Diocese of Gary

Retracing our history

By REV. LEO J. ARMBRUSTER and REV. JOHN F. MORALES

PROLOGUE

The **First History of Christianity** was the most unique. It will ever remain so. Written under Divine Inspiration, God Himself was its Author, and it was written for everyone. It is that part of Sacred Scripture we call the **New Testament.** As we now observe the Silver Anniversary of our Diocese, we realize that **from Galilee to Gary is a long way,** and **Twenty Centuries is a long time.**

Obviously, it would be impossible to even attempt a rushed review of all that happened between these two points in time and place. Nonetheless, to completely overlook all of them destroys the inevitable continuity that gives a rationale to this Twenty-fifth Anniversary. Peter Guilday once wrote: *"No moment of the present dare disdain its debt to the past."*

THE DIOCESE OF BALTIMORE

In the year 1789, when George Washington was elected and was inaugurated as the first President of the United States, the first diocese in the United States was also established. The city of Baltimore, Maryland was the place, and John Carroll was named the first Bishop. His jurisdiction extended over all the thirteen States, and territories adjacent to them. Although in every way completely dedicated as well as zealous in his every pursuit, he quickly recognized that such a vast territory, **which included Indiana,** was too much for one Diocese and for one Bishop.

The Holy See also recognized the problem, and at the request of Bishop Carroll, on April 8, 1808, created four new dioceses. This was a blessing to the Bishop of Baltimore, who now had been named Archbishop. Now he could more effectively devote his efforts to an area more accessible to him. Until these four new dioceses were established, Indiana was also under the jurisdiction of Baltimore. The four new Dioceses were Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Bardstown, Kentucky.

THE DIOCESE OF BARDSTOWN

The City of Bardstown, located about 40 miles South of Louisville, seemed at the time the logical place for a Diocese. About thirty-one years later, the Diocese would be transferred to Louisville, as it is at the present time. Father Benedict Joseph Flaget was appointed the first Bishop of Bardstown.

The territory under the jurisdiction of Bishop Flaget was likewise extensive. It included what is now the States of Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio and *Indiana*. Bishop Flaget faced the same problem as did Archbishop Carroll. He explained the situation to the Holy Father, and again the only solution was the creation of more dioceses. Bishop Flaget was definitely a sincerely energetic person, but his diocesan territory was too vast. At this time, in the year 1834, Indiana was under the Bishop of Bardstown, but it had become a State in 1816, and Vincennes was the capital. One of the Dioceses Bishop Flaget was successful in requesting the Holy See to create was the Diocese of Vincennes, Indiana.

THE DIOCESE OF VINCENNES

On May 6, 1834, Pope Gregory XVI established the Diocese of Vincennes with jurisdiction extending over the *entire State of Indiana* and a small part of Eastern Illinois. For the next twenty-three years until 1857, when the Diocese of Fort Wayne was created, all of the State of Indiana would be under the episcopal authority of the Bishop of Vincennes. The territory of Eastern Illinois was separated from the Diocese of Vincennes to become part of the Diocese of Chicago on November 28, 1843.

In those twenty-three years four bishops would be named to the See of Vincennes. The first Bishop, Simon Gabriel Brute de Remur, born in Rennes, France, March 20, 1779 and ordained a priest in that City on June 10, 1808, was consecrated Bishop of Vincennes in the Cathedral of Saint Louis, Missouri on October 28, 1834 by Bishop Benedict Joseph Flaget of Bardstown, Kentucky, assisted by Bishop Joseph Rosati of Saint Louis and Bishop John Baptist Purcell of Cincinnati.

Bishop Brute died at Vincennes on June 26, 1839 and is buried in the Old Cathedral there. He was Bishop for only five years, and during that time accomplished much, but none of the parishes established under his direction was a part of what is now the Diocese of Gary, although this area was under his jurisdiction.

The second Bishop of Vincennes was Celestine de la Hailandiere. He was Bishop here from 1839 until his resignation on July 16, 1847. It was in the year 1839 that the *first parish in Lake County, Indiana was established* — **Saint John the Evangelist Parish** — in **Saint John, Indiana.** It is the oldest parish in the Diocese of Gary. At the present time, Father Joseph E. Till is the

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COAT OF ARMS OF THE DIOCESE OF GARY

Coats of arms are a very ancient device used to symbolize an individual, institution, corporation, etc. Traceable from the standards of the tribes of Israel, through the devices of the ancient Egyptians, Greeks, Romans, etc., they are often imitated today in the coats of arms of various countries, seals of state, and even in the logotypes of the modern business establishment.

The coat of arms of the Diocese of Gary — the seal or symbol of the Church in these four counties of northwestern Indiana — consists of a shield surmounted with the episcopal mitre. The bishop's mitre serves to indicate that the institution holds the rank of a diocese over which presides a consecrated bishop.

On the shield itself, the four black and three silver heraldic bars, resembling ingots of steel, signify the origin and principal industry of the City of Gary, which City is the residence of the Bishop and the place of the Bishop's cathedral church. The seven bars indicate the seven Sacraments, the means of grace, which are administered in the Diocese.

The golden angel wings denote the dedication of the Cathedral to the Holy Angels. Between these wings is a golden censer emitting the prayerful smoke of incense, in contrast to the smoke which arises from the chimneys of industrial Gary, Indiana Harbor, etc. This symbol is derived from the Offertory prayer of the Mass of the Holy Angels which paraphrases the words of the Apocalypse: "Another angel, who had a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. A large quantity of incense was given to him to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar that stood in front of the throne; and so from the angel's hand the smoke of the incense went up in the presence of God and with it the prayers of the saints." (Apocalypse 8:3-4).

His Eminence
John Cardinal Cody, D.D., Ph.D., J.C.D.
Archbishop of Chicago

Ordained Priest, Rome, Italy, December 8, 1931
Appointed Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, May 14, 1947
Consecrated, July 2, 1947
Appointed Coadjutor of Saint Joseph, January 27, 1954
Transferred to Kansas City-Saint Joseph, August 29, 1956
Appointed Coadjutor Archbishop of New Orleans, August 14, 1961
Archbishop of New Orleans, November 8, 1964
Appointed Archbishop of Chicago, June 16, 1965
Created Cardinal Priest of the Holy Roman Catholic Church, June 26, 1967

CARDINAL'S RESIDENCE
1555 NORTH STATE PARKWAY
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60610

February 6, 1982

Your Excellency,

As I stood alongside of you and imposed hands with Cardinal Cicognani and Bishop Pursley on the joyous day of your Episcopal Consecration, February 25, 1957, so I will be joined with your Brother Bishops, Priests, Religious and Laity of your Diocese to observe your Silver Jubilee.

During the Twenty-Five Years since the Diocese was established, Your Excellency can be justifiably proud of the churches, rectories, schools, high schools, etc., which you have provided for the people of God in your Diocese. As a neighbor for more than seventeen years, I have admired your apostolic activities and also your contribution to the Church in the United States and I offer to you today my heartfelt felicitations. The collegiality which unites the Hierarchy in the United States and in the world has certainly proved of help and I feel that, since Vatican II, we have become more closely associated. Our work for our Brother Bishops in mission lands, persecuted nations, and on a truly universal basis, has given us greater opportunity to be of service to our fellowmen.

Happy Day and with fondest memories of your Consecration on February 25, 1957, I am, Your Excellency,

Wishing you an abundance of blessings on this

Very truly yours in Christ,

+John Cardinal Cody

Archbishop of Chicago

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
Bishop of Gary
975 W. Sixth Avenue
Gary, Indiana 46401

Journey to Jubilee

One thousand, eight hundred and twenty-five days have marched their way into history since the joyous 1977 celebration of the 20th anniversary of the Diocese of Gary and of the consecration of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka as its first chief shepherd.

Now the Diocese prepares to observe a major milestone in its history — Silver Jubilee — 25 years of ministering to the spiritual needs of the 191,950 Catholic people who call northwest Indiana their home.

Webster's Dictionary describes the word "jubilee" as "a time or occasion of rejoicing." We sincerely hope that each and every member of the Faithful in the Dicoese of Gary will join Bishop Grutka in rejoicing on this memorable occasion.

The event has been eagerly anticipated for all of these past five years. Here, culled from the pages of the Gary Sunday Visitor, are a few of the day-to-day happenings in the Diocese during those years.

Join us, if you will, in our five-year JOURNEY TO JUBILEE!

1977

February

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, together with a large representation of priests, religious and lay people, observed the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Gary and the Bishop's 20th anniversary of consecration with a Solemn Mass, Sunday, February 20 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

John Cardinal Cody, Archbishop of Chicago, presided over the Mass, concelebrated by Bishop Grutkâ with 10 visiting members of the hierarchy and 122 priests of the Diocese.

In a brief address preceding the Mass, Bishop Grutka expressed his personal thanks for the presence of all participating, and asked that all make the Mass "a prayer of praise and thanksgiving for God's twenty years of blessings on the Diocese of Gary."

Bishop Leo A. Pursley, former Ordinary of Fort Wayne-South Bend, and long-time friend of Bishop Grutka gave the Homily, choosing as his subject, 'The Priesthood of Jesus Christ.'

Following the Communion of the Mass, Cardinal Cody gave a brief address in which he referred to Bishop Grutka as "a great priest, a great bishop, who has contributed much to the Church in the United States."

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Clergy assignments involving three changes in pastorates were announced by the Diocean Chancery.

Reverend Monsignor Casimir E. Senderak, V.G., then pastor of SS. Peter and Paul Parish, Merrillville, was assigned as pastor of St. Casimir Parish in Hammond.

Reverend George M. Vrabely, former Principal of Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond was named Pastor of St. Peter Parish in LaPorte.

Reverend Eugene C. Hoffman, then pastor at St. Peter, LaPorte, was assigned as pastor at SS. Peter and Paul, Merrillville.

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Students, teachers, and administrators of the Diocese of Gary Catholic schools joined with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka in a celebration of a Liturgy of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels, as part of the 20th anniversary celebration of the founding of the Diocese. Reverend F. Raymond Fowerbaugh, Superintendent of Schools, and Reverend Don Grass, Pastor of the Cathedral, joined the Bishop in concelebrating the Liturgy.

Representatives from both the religious and lay faculties of each of the diocesan schools, together with nearly 400 student representatives were present for the ceremonies. The Cathedral Mass was one of 48 Liturgies offered simultaneously throughout the Diocese on that day.

March

Reverend Carl J. Holsinger, retired pastor of St. Mary Parish in East Chicago marked the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on March 12. Father Holsinger, 77, was ordained on March 12, 1927 in Rome, Italy.

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A concelebrated Mass and a dinner-dance on March 17 were the first of a series of events commemorating the 75th anniversary of St. Patrick Parish in East Chicago.

The Mass of Thanksgiving on the patronal feast of the parish brought together priests who served there, former parishioners, as well as present members of the parish.

St. Patrick Parish was established on May 24, 1902, with Rev. Thomas Mungovan as the first pastor.

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Thomas F. O'Rourke, State Secretary, Indiana Knights of Columbus announced plans for Lake and Porter Counties' first Tootsie Roll Weekend to benefit retarded children and adults.

The pilot project will be staged for the first time in Indiana on April 1 and 2.

The 12 K. of C. councils in Lake and Porter Counties, under the direction of District Deputies James J. Bonczyk, Francis J. Keohane, and Robert D. Swentko are developing plans for the actual sales in their own communities. Funds realized from the two-day sale of Tootsie Rolls will be donated in their entirety to programs for the retarded in Indiana.

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SS. Peter and Paul of Merrillville became the 1977 Diocesan CYO Grade School 'A' Basketball Tourney champion after winning the final tourney game at Andrean High School against St. Stanislaus of Michigan City, 70-42.

Grade School Girls' champs were the team from St. Joseph of Dyer, who won the first place title with a 18-9 victory over Our Lady of Perpetual Help of Hammond.

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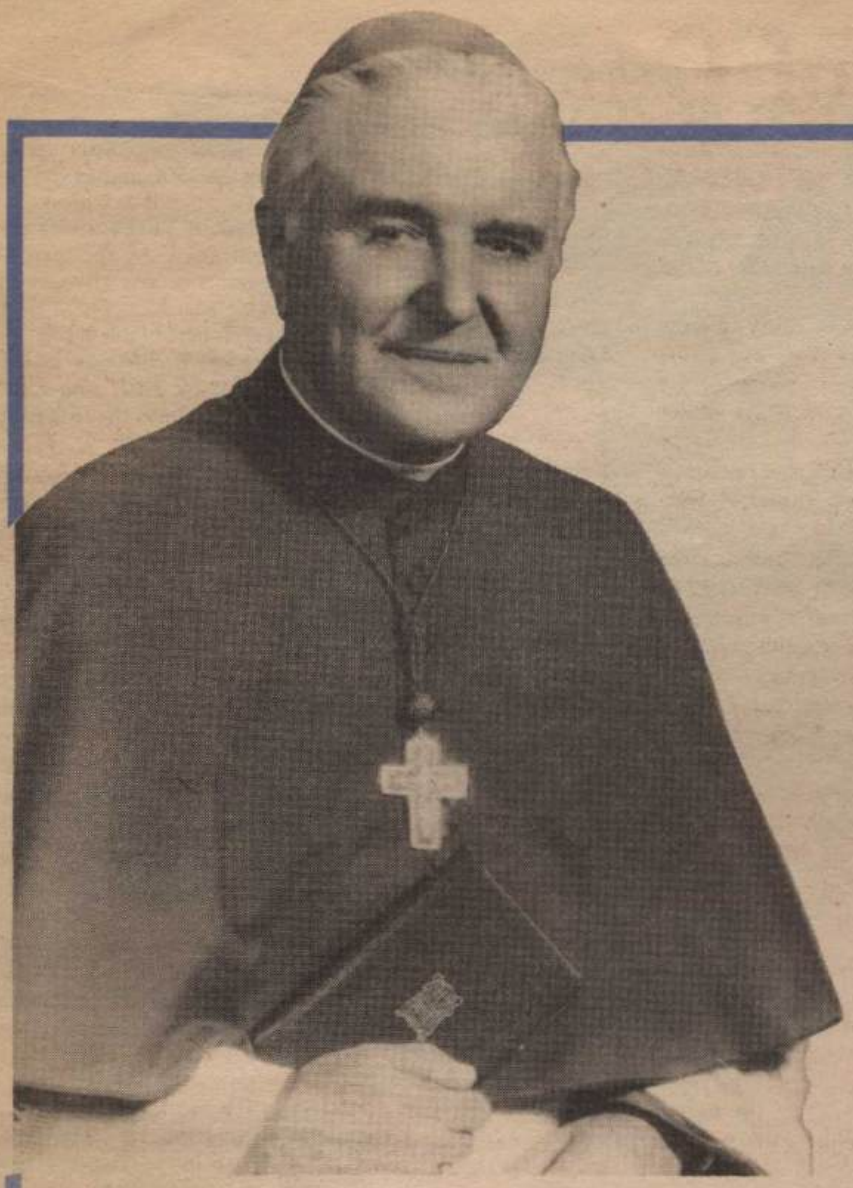
— The parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish, Wanatah and St. Martin Parish, La Crosse



Our Jubilee Bishop

Closely intertwined with the history of the Diocese of Gary is the life story of its first Bishop, Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D. From his consecration on February 25, 1957 until the present time Bishop Grutka has worked tirelessly for the Diocese and its people. Every part of the Diocese, each parish, all the many organizations that comprise the Diocese have come under his sphere of influence and scholarly guidance.

An account of Bishop Grutka's life reads like an American success story. The Bishop of Gary was born in Joliet, Illinois on November 17, 1908 of poor immigrant parents who had come to Illinois by way of Pittsburgh from the village of Stara Ves in Slovakia. He received his early education in Saints Cyril and Methodius Parochial School in Joliet and attended high school at Saint Procopius in Lisle, Illinois. After graduation in June of 1926 he entered Saint Procopius College here. During his early college years, he considered a possible career in science or medicine, but his first intention of entering the priesthood prevailed.

Hearing that the Diocese of Fort Wayne, Indiana was in need of priests, he traveled to Fort Wayne to see Archbishop John F. Noll, who accepted him as a student of the Diocese of Fort Wayne, at Saint Procopius.

During his summer vacations, Andrew Grutka worked as a laborer in the Carnegie Steel Mills in Joliet where he learned first hand to appreciate the circumstances of the working people.

In 1929 Archbishop Noll sent him to the North American College in Rome for theological studies. Because of a lack of money during those depression years, the young student was unable to return to his home during the summer months. Being adventuresome, however, he spent this time traveling through Italy on a bicycle, often sleeping in barns and under bridges due to a limited budget.

The great day of Ordination came on December 5, 1933 when he was ordained in Rome by Francis Cardinal Marchetti Selvaggiani. Since this occurred in mid-year, the class of 1934 stayed in Rome until the following June, to complete the fourth year of theological studies.

When summer came, after a brief visit to the native home of his parents in Slovakia, Father Grutka returned to the United States where he took up duties as assistant pastor of Saint Vincent Parish in Elkhart, Indiana on September 1, 1934. The depression years saw many young people coming to him and this presented him with the opportunity of organizing the Catholic Youth Organization at Saint Vincent. The parish CYO building soon became the center of much of the youth work in the city. Eventually Father Grutka received the American Legion's Civic Merti Medal for his work in helping to organize a city-wide recreation program in Elkhart.

First Pastorate

The busy years at Elkhart ended on June 26, 1942 when Father Grutka received his first pastorate at Sacred Heart parish in East Chicago. The people of Elkhart, however, did not wish to see the young priest leave their city. A petition, signed by the parishioners at Saint Vincent was taken by a delegation of fifty persons to Notre Dame University where Archbishop Noll was visiting. It was pointed out to the people however, that the transfer constituted a promotion for their assistant and the petition was withdrawn.

The years in East Chicago were spent under the cloud of World War II. During this period, he spent much of his spare time in study. It was now that the priest became deeply interested in the social and economic problems of the working man, an interest that would serve him well as the future Bishop of Gary.

On July 5, 1944, Father Grutka assumed the pastorate of Holy Trinity Parish in Gary. That same year he became Deanery Moderator of the National Council of Catholic Men. His next interest turned to the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists. He became associated with the Gary Urban League and he became a member of the Board of Directors in 1947, later holding the office of treasurer. Bishop Pursley of Fort Wayne appointed Father Grutk Diocesan Moderator of Lay Activities in September of 1955. In 1956 he became vice president of the Gary Re-development Commission, an organization that worked with both local and federal officials toward the elimination of sub-standard housing conditions.

Father Grutka was honored by Pope Pius XII on June 2, 1956 when he was raised to the rank of Domestic Prelate with the title of Right Reverend Monsignor.

Despite all his work in the city and the Diocese, Monsignor Grutka spent much time working diligently for the welfare of his own parish and on December 9, 1956 he was able to dedicate the new and beautiful Holy Trinity Church.

Apostolic Delegate Consecrates

Shortly thereafter, on Christmas Eve he received notification from the Holy See that he had been chosen by Pope Pius XII to be the first Bishop of the newly created Diocese of Gary.

Bishop Grutka was consecrated on February 25, 1957 in the Cathedral of the Holy Angels by Archbishop Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, now deceased. Co-Consecrators were Bishop Leo A. Pursley of Fort Wayne and Bishop John P. Cody of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Mo., who is now Cardinal-Archbishop of Chicago.

On March 21, 1957 Bishop Grutka became the honorary chairman of the advisory board of lay trustees of Saint Joseph College Calumet Center. He received further civic recognition on April 9, 1957 when the Gary Urban League presented him with a ten year service award.

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The Diocese of Gary

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Pastor, and he is assisted by Father Anthony L. Spanley.

Bishop de la Hailandiere was born in France in the town of Combourg, in the same Archdiocese of Rennes, which gave us his predecessor, Bishop Brute, on May 3, 1798. Ordained a priest at Paris on May 28, 1825, he came to the United States and was appointed Vicar General of the Diocese of Vincennes in 1839.

Named Coadjutor Bishop of Vincennes on May 17, 1839 he went back to Paris to be consecrated Bishop there on August 18, 1839. After his resignation as Bishop in 1847 he again returned to France where he died on May 1, 1882. His remains were brought from France and interred in the Old Cathedral at Vincennes.

The third Bishop of Vincennes was John Stephen Bazin. He was consecrated Bishop in 1847 and died of a heart attack only a few months later in 1848.

Born in Duerne in the Archdiocese of Lyons, France on October 15, 1796, Jon Stephan Bazin was ordained a priest at Lyons, July 22, 1822. Father Bazin wa appointed Vicar General of Mobile, Alabama in 1830. Mobile had only become a Diocese on May 15, 1829.

Consecrated Bishop in the Cathedral at Vincennes, October 24, 1847, by Bishop Michael Portier of Mobile, assisted by Bishop Purcell of Cincinnati and Bishop de la Hailandiere, his predecessor, Bishop Bazin died at Vincennes, Indiana, April 23, 1848, and is buried there.

Father Maurice de St. Palais, administrator of the Diocese after the death of Bishop Bazin, was named fourth Bishop of Vincennes on October 3, 1848 by Pope Pius IX. He was consecrated in the Cathedral in Vincennes, January 14, 1849, by Bishop Pius Miles, O.P. of Nashville, assisted by Martin John Spaulding, Coadjutor Bishop of Louisville and Very Reverend Hippolytus Dupontavice, Vicar General of Vincennes.

Incidentally, to be noted is that Nashville, in Tennessee was established as a Diocese on July 28, 1837 by the same Holy Father who created the Diocese of Vincennes, that is, Pope Gregory XVI. Bishop Martin John Spaulding became the Archbishop of Baltimore, May 6, 1864 and died there on February 7, 1872.

Bishop de St. Palais remained Bishop of all Indiana until the creation of the Diocese of Fort Wayne in 1857. During his episcopate three parishes, now a part of the Diocese of Gary, were established. **Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception** in **Michigan City**, where now in 1982 Father Albert J. Zimmerman is Pastor, assisted by Fathers Eugeniusz Pogorzelski and James P. McGrogan, was formally erected in 1849.

In Turkey Creek, now **Merrillville, Indiana**, in 1850, **Saints Peter and Paul Parish** was built. Currently, Father Robert B. Evers is the Pastor, with assistants, Father Joseph M. Pawlowski and Father George Kavungal, C.M.I., the latter a native of India.

In 1853 Bishop de St. Palais formed **Saint Peter Parish** in **La Porte**, where at this time, Father George M. Vrabely is Pastor.

Almost twenty years after he was relieved of the jurisdiction in Northern Indiana, bishop Maurice de St. Palais of Vincennes died at Saint Mary-of-the-Woods on June 28, 1877. His remains are also interred in the Old Cathedral, Vincennes.

THE DIOCESE OF FORT WAYNE

The apostolic solicitude for the Church in the United States by Pope Pius IX was once again felt in Indiana, when on September 22, 1857 he erected the Diocese of Fort Wayne in the Northern half of our State. The boundaries of the new Diocese of Fort Wayne were that part of the State, North of the South lines of Fountain, Montgomery, Boone, Hamilton, Madison, Delaware, Randolph and Warren Counties. Vincennes (later to become the Archdiocese of Indianapolis) retained the Southern half of the State of Indiana.

BISHOP JOHN HENRY LUERS

The first Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne was John Henry Luers who was consecrated in Cincinnati, Ohio on January 10, 1855. His Consecrator, Archbishop John Baptist Purcell, had previously ordained him to the priesthood in November, 1846. Archbishop Purcell was assisted by Bishop Maurice de St. Palais, the Bishop of Vincennes and Bishop George Aloysius Carrel, S.J., of Covington. The Diocese of Covington, Kentucky had been established on July 29, 1853. The newly consecrated Bishop Luers arrived in the City of Fort Wayne a few days later and would remain there until his death on June 29, 1871. During his time as Bishop of Fort Wayne, *nine* parishes, in what is now the Diocese of Gary, were built.

In 1858 **Saint Joseph Parish** in **La Porte**, where Monsignor John C. Witte is the present Pastor, was established. In 1858, **All Saints Parish** in **San Pierre** was formed. Its present Pastor is Father Theodore J. Mens who also serves as Chaplain to the Little Company of Mary Health Facility which is situated in San Pierre, Indiana.

In that same year of 1858 Bishop Luers established **Saint Paul Parish** in **Valparaiso** and **Saint Patrick Parish** in **Chesterton.** Monsignor John J. Charlebois is today the Pastor in Valparaiso. He is assisted by Father Gregory P. Holicky. The Parish in Chesterton is served by its present Pastor, Father Lawrence M. Heeg, who is assisted by Father Gerald H. Schweitzer.

Holy Name Parish in **Cedar Lake** was established the following year, that is, 1859. Father Lawrence J. Kew is the present Pastor. In 1860 another parish was built — **Saint Martin of Tours,** in **La Crosse,** Indiana.

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Saint Mark Church — Gary, Indiana

THE PARISH FAMILY OF SAINT MARK

expresses truly sincere gratitude to our beloved Bishop, His Excellency, THE MOST REVEREND ANDREW G. GRUTKA, D.D., for twenty-five years of inspiring spiritual leadership, with fervent prayers for his continued well-being and vigorous service to the Church at Gary.

Joyfully we join our brothers and sisters in the Catholic Faith — the People of God in His Church in Northwest Indiana — recalling on this Silver Jubilee of the foundation of the Diocese of Gary divine mercies and favors so manifest!

May God and His holy angels continue to protect our Bishop and all of us who loyally follow his episcopal guidance.

Saint Mark Parish Council

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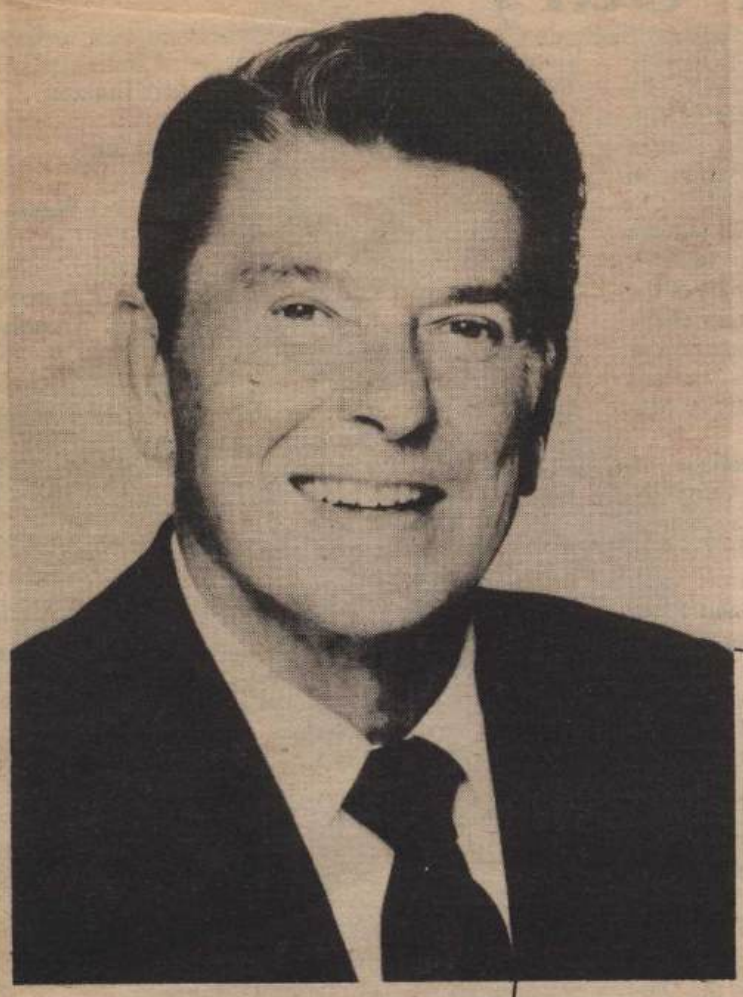

Ronald Reagan
President of The United States

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 10, 1982

Dear Bishop Grutka:

Congratulations to you and to all of the parishioners of the Diocese of Gary, Indiana at this special time.

I salute you for contributing so much to the spiritual needs of the Roman Catholic community of Gary, Indiana. Since its founding, our country has been greatly enriched by those dedicated to the spiritual support of their fellowman. You can take great pride and satisfaction in the role you have played to ensure that this tradition endures. The commemoration of your 25th anniversary marks more than two decades of commitment to your community.

God bless all of you on this historic occasion and always,

Sincerely,

Ronald Reagan

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Andrew Grutka, D.D.
Bishop of Gary
Post Office Box M-474
Gary, Indiana 46402

The Diocese of Gary

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Bishop Luers visited Rome in 1864 and stopped at Louvain, in Belgium, searching for candidates for the priesthood. He returned to participate in the Second Plenary Council of Baltimore in 1864. In 1865 he devoted his attentions to **Crown Point,** Indiana where **Saint Mary Parish** was established. Its present Pastor is Monsignor Vincent L. Lengerich, who is assisted by Father Jose G. Padayatty, of the Carmelites of Mary Immaculate of India. Monsignor Lengerich, who was appointed Pastor of Saint Mary, Crown Point, Indiana on June 1, 1972, succeeded Father Joseph H. Hammes.

Father Hammes enjoys a rare priestly distinction of having served his entire sacerdotal ministry in one parish — Saint Mary Parish of Crown Point. Immediately after he was ordained a priest in 1926, Father Hammes was assigned to assist Father Phillip Anton Guethoff, who had been appointed Pastor of Saint Mary Parish in Crown Point in 1889 and continued in that post until Father Hammes, his assistant, was officially appointed Pastor of the same Parish on May 30, 1943. Father Joseph H. Hammes resigned the Pastorate on May 31, 1972, but resides in his own home within the parish boundaries until this day, February 21, 1982.

The present Editor of the GARY SUNDAY VISITOR and Diocesan Consultor, Monsignor Edward F. Litot, is also Pastor of **Saint Joseph Parish** which was established by Bishop Luers, in **Dyer,** in 1867.

The last parish to be commissioned by Bishop John Henry Luers in our territory was **Saint Edward** in **Lowell,** in 1870. A beautiful parish plant exists there today, guided by Father Timothy F. Doody, Pastor. The next year Bishop Luers journeyed to Cleveland to assist its bishop in administering Holy Orders and was stricken and died there on June 29, 1871. Bishop Luers was buried in the crypt under the sanctuary of the Cahedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne.

BISHOP JOSEPH DWENGER

The second Bishop of Fort Wayne, like its first, came to Indiana from Cincinnati, Ohio. He too was ordained a priest and consecrated a bishop by Cincinnati's Archbishop, John Baptist Purcell. Joseph Dwenger was the first native born American to become a bishop in Indiana. Born in Mercer County, Ohio on September 7, 1837, his family had emigrated from Hanover, Germany. Bishop Silas Marean Chatard, who was born in Baltimore, Maryland, December 13, 1834, and who was, therefore, also a native American, actually became a bishop in Indiana after Bishop Dwenger, having been named Bishop of Vincennes on March 26, 1878.

Entering the Novitiate of the Congregation of the Congregation of the Most Precious Blood, Joseph Dwenger was ordained a priest for that Society by Archbishop John Baptist Purcell on September 4, 1859. When the Diocese of Fort Wayne became vacant through the death of its first Bishop, Father Joseph Dwenger, C.PP.S., was selected by Pope Pius IX as its second bishop. He wa Consecrated in the Cathedral at Cincinnati on April 14, 1872. His death occurred on January 27, 1893 and he was interred at the side of his predecessor in the crypt under the Cathedral at Fort Wayne, his funeral Mass having been celebrated by another Cincinnati Archbishop, William Henry Elder.

During the years Bishop Dwenger was the Ordinary of the Diocese of Fort Wayne, *twelve* parishes were built in Northwestern Indiana. **Saint Bridget Parish** in **Hobart,** where now Father William E. Vogt is Pastor, assisted by a newly ordained priest, Father Stephen D. Kosinski, was founded as early as 1873.

In that same year, 1873, the *first parish for polish-speaking* people was built in what is now the Diocese of Gary at Otis, Indiana. Father Henry I. Krysinski is the present Pastor at **Saint Mary Church** in **Otis.**

Two years after he came to Fort Wayne, Bishop Dwenger conducted the first official pilgrimage from the United States to the Shrine of Our Lady at Lourdes, France. On this pilgrimage of 1874 he also visited Rome. Returning to Indiana, Bishop Dwenger established **Saint Michael Parish** in **Schererville** in 1874. Presently serving the people there are Father Joseph E. Vamos, Pastor, and his Associate since August 30, 1979, Father Roy T. Beeching.

The first parish to be established in the **Hammond** area, in 1879, was placed under the heavenly patronage of **Saint Joseph.** A large and beautiful church exists there, today, where Father William J. Spranger is the current Pastor and Father Dominic V. Bertino his Associate Pastor. **On February 9, 1879 Bishop Dwenger established the first diocesan school board in Northern Indiana.** It consisted of seven priests to whom the bishop entrusted the supervision of parochial schools with the urge, "Catholic Schools now, or empty churches a few years hence."

The fifth Bishop of Fort Wayne, John F. Noll, would write in 1941 about Fort Wayne's second bishop. Joseph Dwenger, C.PP.S., *"There was scarcely a parish of thirty or forty families which did not have its own parochial school, when he died."*

Much more remained to be accomplished by Bishop Dwenger before his death, however. In 1881 he established **Saints Cyril and Methodius Parish** in **North Judson** and in 1884 **Saint Mary Parish** in **Kouts.** Father Leo J. Armbruster is the Pastor today in North Judson, and Father Joseph N. Panavas of Kouts serves the people as their Pastor.

Sacred Heart Parish in **Wanatah,** which was established in 1887, now also has the church at La Crosse as

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The Parish Community of St. Adalbert Church, Whiting, Indiana, Both Priests and People, Extend to Its Shepherd, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, and Its Parent Diocese of Gary, Heartfelt Congratulations, Best Wishes, and Prayers on Their Dual Silver Jubilee

Father Michael Tomaszewski, *Pastor*
Father Joseph P. Smith, *Pastor Emeritus*

The Diocese of Gary

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its Mission. An instructor at Marquette High School in Michigan City, Father Sammie L. Maletta is the Administrator at Wanatah.

Father Dominic A. Mrena is the Pastor at **Holy Cross Parish** in **Hamlet,** which was established in 1888. In that same year, 1888, Bishop Dwenger established the parish at Rolling Prairie, **Saint John Kanty,** where Father Leonard J. Kronkowski is the present Pastor. Rolling Prairie was originally a settlement of Polish people and was served by the pastor at Terre Coupee for many years until a priest could be found to take up residence there.

The second parish in **Hammond** was begun in 1890 to serve its increasing number of Polish Catholics. It was named after the holy Prince of Poland, Saint Casimir, who is also claimed as a Patron Saint of Lithuania. **Saint Casimir Parish** exists today with Monsignor Casimir E. Senderak, who is Vicar General and Consultor in the Diocese of Gary, its Pastor. Monsignor Senderak, the second vicar general in the history of the Diocese of Gary is assisted at Saint Casimir Parish in Hammond by Fathers Stanley Staniszewski and John B. Barasinski.

The first parish established for Catholics of what was then the *Village* of **East Chicago** was **Saint Mary Parish** in 1890. Priests from Saint Joseph Church in Hammond and Sacred Heart Parish in Whiting served Saint Mary as a Mission until its first resident pastor was appointed in March, 1899. Presently, Father Robert P. Gehring, former Chancellor of the Diocese of Gary, is its Pastor, with Father John T. Ambre assisting. Father Ambre also teaches at Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond.

In **Michigan City,** in 1892, **Saint Stanislaus Kostka Parish,** organized to provide religious service for Polish people of Michigan City, became the last parish founded in the territory of what is now the Diocese of Gary by Bishop Joseph Dwenger, C.PP.S., before his death in 1893. Today, Saint Stanislaus Rectory is residence for three priests: the Pastor, Reverend Stanley J. Dominik, his Assistant, Father Walter J. Rakoczy, and Father John V. Scott, the latter being **Chaplain** at the **Indiana State Prison** in Michigan City.

On July 14, 1893 Pope Leo XIII transferred Bishop Joseph Rademacher, who had been consecrated as third Bishop of Nashville, Tennessee on June 24, 1883, to become the third Bishop of Fort Wayne.

Born in Westphalia, Michigan on December 3, 1840, Father Joseph Rademacher was actually ordained a priest for the service of the Diocese of Fort Wayne by Bishop John Henry Luers on August 2, 1863. Hence, his appointment now in 1893 was a homecoming to Northern Indiana. He served here as bishop only seven years until his death on January 12, 1900. The realtively short episcopate of Bishop Rademacher was filled with zeal for the improvement of the Church in the Diocese of Fort Wayne.

Arriving on October 3, 1893, Bishop Rademacher was installed in the Cathedral of Fort Wayne by Archbishop William Henry Elder of Cincinnati and went to work establishing four new parishes in Northwest Indiana. With the assistance of priests from Saint Casimir Parish in Hammond, in 1896 the people of **East Chicago** were able to have their second parish, **Saint Stanislaus** where Father Joseph R. Niezgoda, present Pastor, serves and is assisted by Father Pascal Grigus of the Order of Friars Minor.

In the same year, 1896, Saint Joseph Parish in **Hammond** was divided and **All Saints Parish** formed. All Saints pastorate is presently held by Father Edward J. Moszur, with Father Mark G. Mazza in residence. Both priests also teach at Bishop Noll Institute, Hammond.

In 1889 the Pator of Chesterton was entrusted with the work of establishing **Sacred Heart Parish** in **Whiting,** Indiana by Bishop Joseph Rademacher. The present Superintendent of the Diocese of Gary Schools, Father F. Raymond Fowerbaugh, is Pastor of this oldest parish in Whiting.

The last parish to be established by Bishop Rademacher is today staffed by the Precious Blood Fathers, the same Community as that of his predecessor, Bishop Dwenger, and is in **Whiting.** It is **Saint John the Baptist Parish** which was formed in 1897. Priests of the Precious Blood Congregation presently staffing Saint John the Baptist Church are Father Edward C. Homco, C.PP.S., Pastor, and Fathers Paul F. Fettig, C.PP.S., and John Zvijak, C.PP.S.

BISHOP HERMAN JOSEPH ALERDING

Following the death of Bishop Rademacher, Father Herman J. Alerding, a priest of the Diocese of Indianapolis was appointed by Pope Leo XIII to be the fourth Bishop of Fort Wayne. He was consecrated November 30, 1900 in the Cathedral of Fort Wayne by Archbishop William Henry Elder of Cincinnati, assisted by Bishop Denis O'Donaghue, auxiliary Bishop of Indianapolis, and Bishop Henry Moeller of Columbus, Ohio. Both Bishops O'Donaghue and Moeller were recently consecrated bishops — O'Donaghue having been consecrated in Saint John Church, Indianapolis, on April 25, 1900 and Moeller on August 25, 1900.

While Herman J. Alerding was Bishop of Fort Wayne, twenty-six parishes were established in what was later to become the Diocese of Gary.

In the year 1902, Bishop Alerding established two parishes: **Saint Adalbert** in **Whiting,** where Father Michael J. Tomaszewski, J.C.L. is the present Pastor,

OUR SINCERE AND
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TO
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AS THEY JOINTLY CELEBRATE
THEIR SILVER JUBILEES

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We welcome the opportunity to rejoice with our fellow Catholics in Northwest Indiana on the Silver Jubilee of the Foundation of the Diocese of Gary.

Respectful greetings and humble congratulations to our first and only Bishop, His excellency, the Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D. on the occasion of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of his Consecration as our chief spiritual shepherd.

Our prayer is one of *thanks* to God for the dedicated pastoral leadership of His Excellency over the past two and one-half decades and *petition* for the continued growth, accomplishments and success of the spread of the Faith in our midst.

Michael A. Gariup
Mary (Mrs. Alex) Gariup

"Faith is the pencil of the soul
that pictures heavenly things."

Journey to Jubilee

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April

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka joined with all the priests of the Diocese on Holy Thursday, April 7 in concelebrating the annual Mass of the Holy Chrism at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

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Mr. Richard Emerson, seminarian from the Diocese of Gary was ordained a Deacon in Rome, Italy on Thursday, April 21 in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception at the North American College.

Mr. Emerson is a member of St. John Bosco Parish in Hammond.

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Diocese of Gary Catholic Charities observed the 40th year of its service to the people in what we now know as the Diocese of Gary with a commemorative dinner on April 18.

Guest speakers at the dinner included Mr. Rashey Moten, National Conference of Catholic Charities President, and Monsignor Lawrence J. Corcoran of the National Conference of Catholic Charities in Washington, D.C.

The Diocesan Catholic Charities was established in 1937 under the direction of Monsignor Edward Sweigart. The present director is Reverend Joseph Semancik, who succeeded Monsignor Sweigart in 1962.

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Two students from St. Mary School in Michigan City took first place honors in the State Competition of the annual Daughters of the American Revolution Essay Contest. They are Tom Beutner, grade 7, and Kimberley Marske, grade 5.

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Graduates of the Calumet College Institute of Religion were honored on Diocesan Catechetical Sunday, April 24. The day's program at the Cathedral Parish in Gary began with a Mass at 3:30 p.m., with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka as the principal celebrant. The Mass was followed by a buffet dinner in the Holy Angels' cafeteria.

The Most Reverend Leo A. Pursley, former Bishop of the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese gave a brief talk at 6:15 p.m., followed by the presentation of permits and certificates to the graduates by Bishop Grutka and Father James F. McCabe, C.PP.S., president of Calumet College.

The Institute of Religion, conducted by Calumet College in cooperation with the Diocese of Gary, involves workshop programs and classes designed to help prepare religion instructors for the diocese.

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Sister Maria Gemma Mulcaire, C.S.C., a teacher at St. Mary of the Lake School in Gary celebrated her 60th anniversary of First Profession as a Sister of the Holy Cross.

GREETING THE BISHOP — Hundreds of well-wishers greeted Bishop Grutka at a reception following the 20th Anniversary Mass at the Cathedral of The Holy Angels on February 20, 1977.

For sixty years Sister Maria Gemma has served the Chruch through her teaching in Texas, Washington, D.C., Iowa, Illinois, and Indiana. She is presently actively involved in tutoring children in reading and math at St. Mary of the Lake.

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Mr. Michael J. Pryor and Mr. Harold M. Wiggins, both of Michigan City were appointed by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka to serve as co-chairmen of the Marquette Booster Club and Foundation fund raising campaign.

Pryor is Division Manager of the Northern Indiana Public Service Company. Wiggins is president of Wiggins Homes, Inc. a Michigan City building company.

The $700,000 fund raising campaign is being conducted to establish an endowment fund to supplement operation costs for Marquette High School.

May

In an effort to promote vocations to the priesthood and the religious life, Vocations Week was observed in the Diocese of Gary, May 1-8.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka asked that vocation promotions be conducted in each parish under the

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Congratulations to
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka
and the
Diocese of Gary
on the occasion of
the 25th Anniversary
of the Diocese
and of the Consecration
of its First Ordinary

From the Entire Bishop Noll Institute Community

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DIOCESE of GARY and Most Rev. Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.

1962

God's Chosen Servant

"Here is my servant, whom I have
chosen, the one I love, with whom I
am well pleased.
I will put my Spirit on him,
and he will announce my judgment
to all peoples.
But he will not argue or shout,
nor make loud speeches in the
streets.
He will not break off a bent reed,
nor put out a flickering lamp.
He will persist until he causes justice
to triumph;
and all peoples will put their
hope in him."

Jesus and Beelzebul
(Also Mark 3:20-30; Luke 11:14-23)

1977

1964

1980

On behalf of St. Anthony Medical Center, Inc. and St. Anthony Home, Inc., I wish to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D. on this twenty-fifth anniversary as Bishop of the Diocese of Gary, and gratitude to the Diocese of Gary as they celebrate the silver jubilee since its founding. It is without question that the Bishop Grutka, D.D. has been a sustentative cornerstone of the healing spiritual comfort and peace upon which we base our care. His boundless service to the Lord's work has been a constant inspiration in the word and deed and prayer of his ministry. As we reflect upon the past twenty-five years we recognize that his continued support of our health care facilities has quietly strengthened and gracefully perpetuated our commitment to serving fellow man.

Respectfully,

Lawrence T. Filosa

Lawrence T. Filosa, M.B.A., H.A., F.A.C.H.A.
President & Chief Executive Officer
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Journey to Jubilee

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direction of the parish priest on May 1, and that prayers be offered for an increase in vocations, during the entire week. The priesthood and religious vocations were the subject of all the homilies delivered at all Masses on that Sunday.

A special feature of the week was an Altar Boy Recognition Day, held on Sunday, May 1 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels. The Serra Clubs of the Diocese paid special tribute to altar boys from all the parishes.

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Reverend Michael Slattery, O.S.A., son of the late Robert Slattery and Betty Jane (Weber) Slattery of Chesterton was ordained a priest in the Augustinian Order on Saturday, May 7, at the Tolentine Center in Olympia Fields, Illinois.

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Reverend Gregory Nowacki, S.D.S., a former Hammond resident, was ordained a priest of the Society of the Divine Savior on May 7, at the St. Pius X Preparatory School in Galt, California. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Nowacki, formerly of St. John Bosco Parish, Hammond, where he attended eight years of grammar school.

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Raymond R. Rufo, Executive Director of the Indiana Catholic Conference, and public policy spokesman for the state's Catholic bishops conducted a post-legislative workshop at Andrean High School in Merrillville on May 12. Purpose of the workshop, according to Father Joseph Viater, I.C.C. Diocesan Coordinator, was to discuss the 1977 legislative session, and particularly the outcome of bills on which the I.C.C. had taken a public position.

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The Northwest Indiana Charismatic Day of Renewal held at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels featured a prayer meeting, workshops, and a Charismatic Mass, with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka as the principal concelebrant.

The Mass was attended by more than 200 men, women, and children.

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St. Luke Parish in Gary marked the 60th anniversary of the founding of the parish on Sunday, May 15. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka joined present and former members of the parish in celebrating a Mass of Thanksgiving. The liturgical service was followed by a commemorative banquet in the church hall.

Reverend Seraph Menello is Pastor of St. Luke.

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St. Adalbert Parish of Whiting, which is celebrating its 75th anniversary during 1977, observed the third phase of the jubilee celebration on Sunday, May 22. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of a concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving on that day. Concelebrating with the Bishop were Reverend Joseph Smith, Pastor, together with former pastors and former assistant pastors of the parish, and priest vocations from the parish.

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Reverend John J. Strebig, Pastor of St. Matthias Parish in Crown Point celebrated the Silver Jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood with an Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 22 in the parish church. A reception for the jubilarian was held after the Mass.

Father Strebig was ordained on May 22, 1952 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

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Commencement exercises for the Class of 1977 at Bishop Noll Institute were conducted Sunday, May 25 at the BNI fieldhouse in Hammond.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka awarded diplomas to the 353 graduating Seniors. Preceding the presentations, the Welcome was presented by Reverend Patrick J. Connolly, Principal, followed by the Salutatory and Valedictory addresses.

Michael Kolodziej, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Kolodziej, and William Chute, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Chute, both of East Chicago, were co-Valedictorians of the class. Salutatorian was Mary Anne Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hughes of Hammond.

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Plans for the 87th parish in the Diocese of Gary were announced on May 29 by the Chancery.

A new parish is to be established in the north Dyer, northwest Schererville area and will consist of portions of St. Joseph Parish in Dyer, and St. Michael Parish in Schererville.

Reverend Richard H. Ameling, presently Associate Pastor at St. Thomas More in Munster is the founding Pastor. He will celebrate the parish's first Mass on June 4 in the Kahler School in Dyer.

Following a meeting between Father Ameling and the parishioners, a name is to be designated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka.

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June

Rev. Mr. Walter J. Rakoczy was ordained as a Deacon in ceremonies conducted Saturday, May 28 in St. John Cantius Church, East Chicago.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the ordaining prelate. Concelebrants with the Bishop at the ordination Mass were Rev. Msgr. Casimir E. Senderak, Vicar General, and Rev. Michael J. Tomaszewski, Pastor of St. John Cantius.

Rev. Mr. Rakoczy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Rakoczy, Sr., members of St. Joseph Parish, a mission of St. John Cantius.

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Six priests from the Diocese of Gary, and one from the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese were concelebrants of a Mass commemorating the 35th anniversary of their ordination to the priesthood. The Mass was concelebrated at St. Michael Church in Schererville. The concelebrants included: Rev. Anthony J. Suelzer, Chaplain of St. Catherine Hospital, East Chicago; Rev. George C. Muresan, Pastor of

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We offer our sincere
Congratulations and
Best Wishes for the future
of the people of the
Diocese of Gary, and
their spiritual leader,
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka
on the occasion of the
Silver Jubilee

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This Sacred Council, following closely in the footsteps of the First Vatican Council, with that Council teaches and declares that Jesus Christ, the eternal Shepherd, established His holy Church, having sent forth the apostles as He Himself had been sent by the Father, and He willed that their successors, namely the bishops, should be shepherds in His Church even to the consummation of the world.

— II Vatican Council, Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, *Lumen Gentium*, 21 November 1964, No. 4.

Congratulations to
Bishop Grutka
on His
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to the Diocese of Gary
and to His Excellency,
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka,
celebrating the
Silver Jubilee

from
Saint Mary, Kouts Parish Council
Rev. Joseph Panavas, Pastor

A diocese is a section of the People of God entrusted to a bishop to be guided by him with the assistance of his clergy so that, loyal to its pastor and formed by him into one community in the Holy Spirit through the Gospel and the Holy Eucharist, it constitutes one particular church in which the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church of Christ is truly present and active.

- II Vatican Council, Decree on the Pastoral Office of Bishops in the Church, *Christus Dominus*, 28 October 1965, No. 11.

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Give Thanks and Praise to God
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Here in the Diocese of Gary.
May God Continue to Bless Us
and Our Shepherd,
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka,
On This Happy Occasion.

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St. Nicholas Romanian Parish in East Chicago; Rev. Bernard F. Shank, Pastor of St. Michael, Schererville; Rev. Albert H. Van Nevel, Pastor of Our Lady of Grace Parish, Highland; Rev. Msgr. F. J. Melevage, Pastor, Notre Dame Parish, Michigan City; Rev. Timothy F. Doody, Pastor, St. Stephen Martyr Parish, Merrillville, and Rev. Robert J. Hoevel, Pastor, St. Patrick Parish, Arcola.

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The Cursillos in Christianity held their 15th annual banquet on Sunday, June 19 at the Salvatorian Shrine in Merrillville. The evening began with a 4:30 p.m. Mass in both Spanish and English, concelebrated by Rev. Seraph Menello and Rev. Louis Gelhaus. Father Menello is spiritual director for the Spanish speaking, and Father Gelhaus directs the English Cursillo.

The banquet, and dancing and entertainment followed the Mass.

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Miss Kathy Knight, a former member of Reverend Moon's Unification Church addressed members of the Gary Diocesan Council of Catholic Women at their one-day convention held at Nativity of Our Savior Parish in Portage. Miss Knight detailed the dangers of destructive cults, particularly among the young.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka Concelebrated a noon Mass with Rev. John Siekierski, D.C.C.W. Moderator; Rev. Walter Verbish, and Rev. Mark Pavlina.

Keynote speaker for the meeting was Teresa Bloomingdale, columnist for Our Sunday Visitor. Mrs. Bloomingdale detailed the humorous aspects of a mother's role in a changing society.

The Cross — Symbol of Triumph, was the theme of the convention, arranged by Mrs. Kenneth Richa, Diocesan President and general chairperson.

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Sister Rita Marie, a member of the Franciscan Sisters of Mishawaka, Indiana celebrated the Silver Jubilee of her religious profession recently.

Sister Rita has been a member of the staff at St. Anthony Hospital in Michigan City since July of 1975, serving in the Social Service Department. She was recently appointed as Coordinator of Pastoral Care.

July

Pastoral changes involving six priests of the Diocese were announced on July 3 by the Chancery.

Reverend Julian J. Jercha, present pastor of Holy Name Parish, Cedar Lake, has been assigned as pastor of St. Anthony Parish, Fish Lake.

Reverend Emil E. Bloch, now pastor at St. Thomas Aquinas, Knox will be pastor of St. Andrew Parish in Merrillville.

Assigned as Pastor at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish is Reverend Anthony D. Ficko, presently at Queen of All Saints Parish, Michigan City.

The present pastor of St. John Cantius and St. Joseph Parishes in East Chicago, Reverend Michael J. Tomaszewski, has been assigned to graduate studies in Canon Law in Rome, Italy.

The present Administrator of St. Anthony, Fish Lake, Reverend Leonard J. Kronkowski, has been assigned as Administrator of St. John Cantius and St. Joseph in East Chicago.

Assuming the pastorate at Holy Name Parish in Cedar Lake is Reverend James P. McGrogan, now pastor at St. Andrew, Merrillville.

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Sunday, July 24 was a memorable day for the members of the Spanish speaking community in East Chicago's Indiana Harbor.

On that day, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka dedicated the beautiful new Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, located at 3510 Deodar St. The Bishop concelebrated at 10:00 a.m. dedication Mass with the pastor, Rev. Thomas B. Hunt, S.C.J., and all priests who are now, or at

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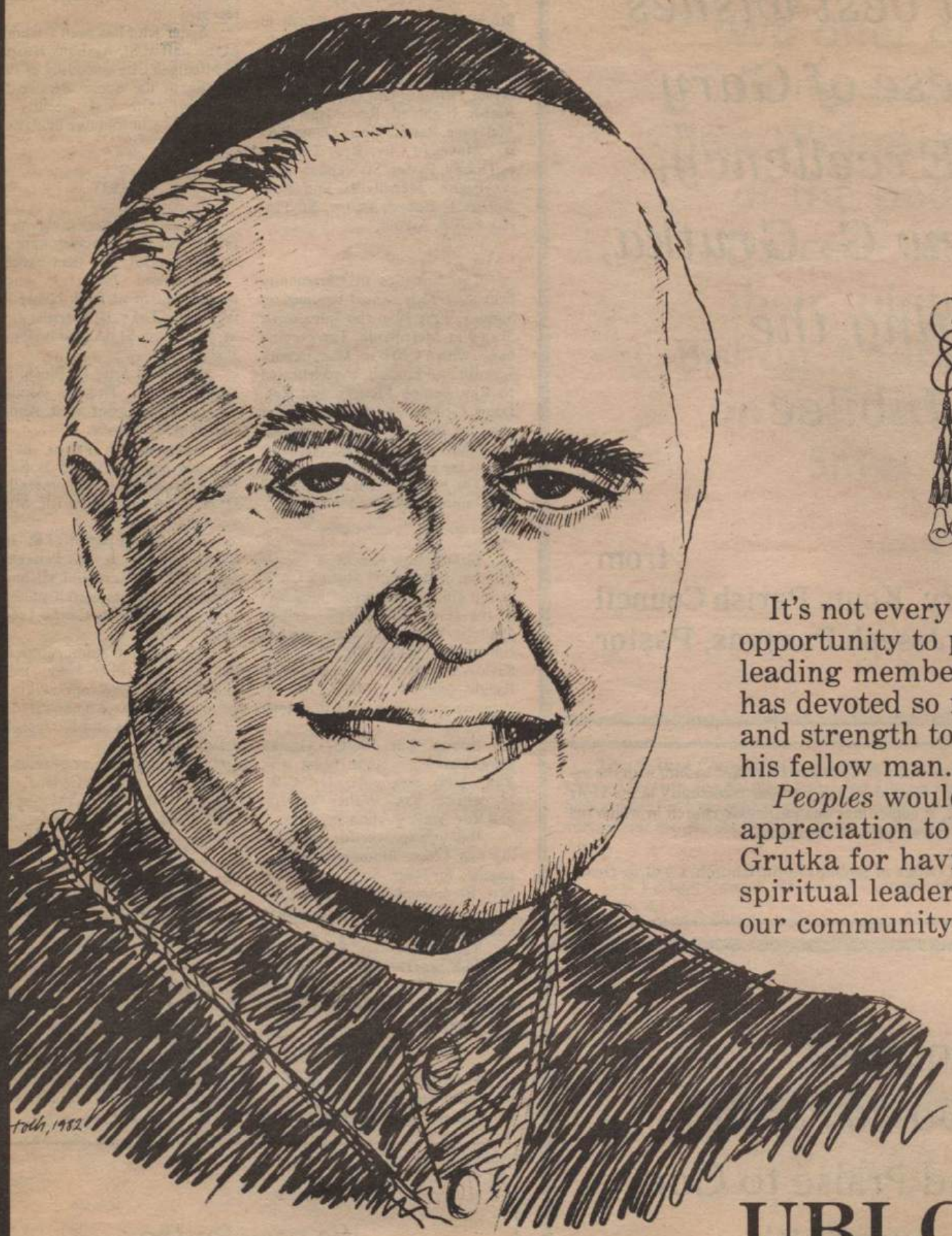
We pray for the
continued success
of our spiritual leader,
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka
in promoting the
cause of Christ
in Northwest Indiana

— The Pastor and People of
SS. Peter and Paul Parish,
Whiting



UBI CARITAS IBI DEUS

It's not every day that we have the opportunity to publicly recognize a leading member of our community who has devoted so much of his time, energy and strength towards the betterment of his fellow man.

Peoples would like to extend their appreciation to Bishop Andrew G. Grutka for having provided 25 years of spiritual leadership for the people of our community.

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"Where There Is Charity, God Is There"

Your deeds have exemplified your adopted motto. Your accomplishments are especially significant in the Spiritual, Moral, Charitable, Social and Educational contributions to the entire area. For these we will always be grateful.

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and Father Joseph P. Smith, retired Pastor, is in residence. Father Tomaszewski also serves as Defender of the Bond in the Diocese of Gary Tribunal, having been appointed to that position on September 13, 1968 and *Vice-Officialis* of the Diocese of Gary, appointed on June 28, 1979.

Father Philip N. Fusco is today the Pastor of **Saint Patrick Parish** in **East Chicago** — a parish which was established by Bishop Alerding in 1902.

1906 saw the birth of **Holy Trinity Parish** for Hungarian people and **Saint John Cantius Parish** for Polish-speaking people, both parishes in what now is the City of **East Chicago.** Today, Father Alphonse Skerl is Pastor of Holy Trinity (Hungarian) Parish while Father Vladimir Janeczek holds the pastorate of Saint John Cantius.

Holy Angels Parish, now the Cathedral of the Diocese of **Gary,** was established in May of 1907, when Bishop J. Alerding assigned Father (late Monsignor) Thomas F. Jansen, Pastor of Saint Bridget Parish in Hobart, to become pastor of the Catholics in the newly founded town of Gary. This became the first of many parishes to be established in Gary. At the present time, Father Don C. Grass, who is also a Diocese of Gary Consultor, is the Rector of Holy Angels Cathedral, assisted by Father J. Anthony Valtierra. Father Kenneth E. Grabner, C.S.C., who works at Saint Mary Medical Center in Gary is in residence in the Cathedral Rectory.

The year the first parish was being formed in the new City of Gary — 1907 — marked the Golden Jubilee commemoration of the foundation of the Diocese of Fort Wayne. The Fiftieth Anniversary was observed throughout Northern Indiana, but especially in the Cathedral of the immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne. The Superior of the Congregation of the Holy Cross preached at the Jubilee. This honor tendered Father Andrew Morrissey, C.S.C., was appropriate given the fact that the Holy Cross Fathers and Brothers began serving in the Diocese of Fort Wayne in 1842.

The second parish in the City of **Gary** was for the benefit of Polish-speaking people who had come there to work. This parish was **Saint Hedwig,** founded in 1909. Father John J. Sierkierski, J.C.L., is its present Pastor. Father Siekierski presides over the Diocese of Gary Tribunal as *Officialis*, which appointment he received on October 2, 1974.

In 1910 Bishop Alerding again directed his attentions to **Whiting** forming **Saint Peter and Paul Parish** for Croatians of that City. Father Vincent Uvodic, who retired from there on August 23, 1950, after serving as its Pastor for over a quarter century now live in **Saint Anthony Hospital in Michigan City.** The present Pastor of Saints Peter and Paul, Whiting, is Father John W. Daniels.

A committee of Slovak people begged Bishop Alerding for their own parish in **Gary.** Thus began **Holy Trinity Parish** in 1911. This same parish in 1956 was to give its pastor, Monsignor Andrew G. Grutka, to a new Diocese at Gary, as its first bishop. The present Pastor of Holy Trinity Parish in Gary is Father Joseph J. Viater, S.T.D., who was appointed on September 24, 1974.

Another Parish founded in **Gary** in 1911 was that of **Saint Emeric** for Hungarian people. After over sixty years of service to the area, this parish wa discontinued and its records transferred to Holy Trinity (Hungarian) Parish, East Chicago, on June 30, 1975.

In 1912 another **Holy Trinity Parish** was established in **Gary** for Catholics of Croatian extraction. Situated on Adams Street, this Church had its name changed to Saint Monica in 1927. At that time the original Croatian parish community relocated to Glen Park on Forty-Fifth Avenue and became **Saint Joseph the Worker Parish.** The Pastor of Saint Joseph the Worker, today, is Father Benedict J. Benakovic, O.F.M.Conv. and he is assisted By Father Anton Babic, O.F.M.Conv.

Two other parishes were established in 1912. **Sacred Heart** in **La Porte** and **Saint Mary** in **Hammond.** Both these parishes were organized for the benefit of Polish-speaking people. Now Father Dennis J. Teles is Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish and Father Walter S. Mastey holds the pastorate of Saint Mary Parish.

Two parishes for Catholics of the *Romanian Byzantine Rite* were established in **East Chicago.** They are **Saint Nicholas,** where Father George C. Muresan is Pastor — established in 1913 and **Saint Demetrius,** where Father John Popa is the present Pastor, established in 1914. **Saint Francis** Lithuanian Church was built in **East Chicago** in 1913 and Father Ignatius C. Vichuras has been Pastor there since June 13, 1957.

Monsignor Michael A. Abraham was assigned in the year 1915 by Bishop Alerding to establish a Latin Rite parish — **Sacred Heart** — in **Michigan City,** Indiana. Monsignor Abraham died in retirement on December 14, 1960. Father Dennis J. Blaney, who is also Diocese of Gary Director of the Apostolate to the Handicapped, is the present Pastor.

Another parish founded in this same year of 1915 in **East Chicago,** Indiana was **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary,** and the current Pastor is Father John A. Halo.

During the episcopate of Bishop Alerding the number of Churches in the City of South Bend doubled, but the area of more extraordinary development and even more rapid growth was Lake County, Indiana. At Gary five parishes were started virtually at the same time, each for people of a different nationality, who for the most part, were new emigrants from Europe, attracted by the hope of obtaining employment at the United States Steel Corporation. East Chicago, Gary, and Hammond would continue to occupy the Bishop's thought and plans for some time.

In 1916 Gary's Lithuanian people who had been visited by the Pastor of Saint Francis, in East Chicago, obtained their own parish. The present Pastor of **Saint Casimir Parish,** in **Gary,** is Father Ignatius L. Urbonas, Ph.D. In **East Chicago,** in 1916, another Church was built for Catholics hailing from Croatia — another Church dedicated to **The Most Holy Trinity.** Monsignor Paul P. Bogovich, who had the honor of being appointed first *Officialis* in the Diocese of Gary on August 15, 1957 until July 22, 1968, was appointed Pastor of Holy Trinity (Croatian) Church in East Chicago on February 5, 1946, and holds that pastorate in 1982.

The movement of Polish people to **East Chicago** called for the formation of **Saint Joseph Parish** in 1916. The last priest to serve as resident Pasor in this Parish was Father Michael J. Tomaszewski, J.C.L., having been assigned there November 18, 1968. On November 1, 1977, Saint Joseph Parish was changed to the status of a Mission under the administration of the Pastor of Holy Trinity (Hungarian) Parish in East Chicago, Father Alphonse Skerl. Records of Saint Joseph Parish were transferred to Holy Trinity, where they can be found, today.

In 1917 Holy Angels Parish in **Gary** was divided to form a new parish on Gary's East side — **Saint Luke.** The Pastor of Saint Hedwig Parish, in Gary, was commissioned in 1917 to organize another parish for Polish-speaking people in **New Chicago.** This was the beginning of **Assumption Parish.** Father John A. Murzyn was appointed Pastor of Assumption Parish on October 1, 1975 and serves in that capacity at this moment. Father Valerian S. Karcz, who retired on September 30, 1975, first came to Assumption Parish, New Chicago, as Pator on July 8, 1939. In his retirement, Father Karcz lives with relatives in Chicago, Illinois.

1918 saw only one parish established in Lake County. It was **Sacred Heart Parish** in the Tolleston area of the City of **Gary.** Father George Kalappura, C.M.I., presently administers this Parish.

With the expansion of the Gary population south to the Glen Park district, Catholics there gathered a committee of laymen, under the leadership of Joseph J. Kelley, to drive to Fort Wayne seeking their own parish and priest from Bishop Alerding. This was the beginning of **Saint Mark Parish, Gary,** in 1921. Father John F. Morales, J.C.D., is the present Pastor of Saint Mark, assisted by Fathers Michael G. Heimer and Clarence E. Danforth. Father Morales also serves the Church at Gary as its Chancellor.

In **Whiting,** in 1922, Saint John the Baptist Parish was divided and another parish for Slovak Catholics began under the title of the **Immaculate Conception.** Father M. Fred Bach holds the pastorate there, today, and is aided by Father Charles W. Niblick, Jr., who also is an instructor at Bishop Noll Institute, Hammond.

There is Knox County in the State of Indiana. It is currently a part of the Dicoese of Evansville which was established on November 11, 1944. Northern Indiana, however, has its City of **Knox** where **Saint Thomas Aquinas Parish** was established in 1922. Father Anthony D. Ficko is the Pastor and this parish is temporarily being administered by Father William L. Peil. History would intervene to make this the last pastoral provision of Bishop Alerding in the area now under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Gary.

The Diocese of Fort Wayne cooperated with the United States Steel Corporation to form a successful initiative for social service work in the City of Gary. The result was named after the then president of the Board of Directors of the United States Steel Corporation and the Bishop of Fort Wayne, the **Judge Gary-Bishop Alerding Settlement House.** Added to this structure wa **Saint Anthony Chapel** intended especially for Italian and Spanish-speaking people in **Gary.** Saint Anthony Chapel and the Settlement House provided well-received service to the community until their closure and the transferral of Saint Anthony records to the Cathedral of the holy Angels, July 31, 1972.

BISHOP JOHN FRANCIS NOLL

On Thanksgiving Day, in November of 1924, Bishop Herman Joseph Alerding, then seventy-nine years old, suffered severe injuries when an automobile in which he was riding, was struck by a trolley car in the City of Fort Wayne. Taken to Saint Joseph Hospital, operated by the Sisters, Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, there, his condition, due to a long standing diabetic problem, grew worse and he died December 6, 1924. His Funeral Liturgy was celebrated by Archbishop Henry Moeller, of Cincinnati, and burial was under the high altar at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne on December 11, 1924.

Pope Saint Pius X, on May 13, 1925 nominated a priest of the Diocese of Fort Wayne, Monsignor John Francis Noll, to succeed as its fifth Bishop. On June 30, 1925 His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein, Archbishop of Chicago consecrated Bishop Noll in the Cathedral at Fort Wayne. Thus, Bishop Noll was baptized, received his First Holy Communion, the Sacrament of Confirmation, was ordained a Priest, celebrated his first Holy Mass and was Consecrated a Bishop — all in his native City of Fort Wayne and in the same Church, its Cathedral.

Bishop Noll would establish twenty-two new parishes in the counties of Northwest Indiana, now known as the Diocese of Gary. Beginning in 1926, two parishes were established by the new Bishop. They were **Sacred Heart Parish,** for Slovak families in **East Chicago** and **Holy Family Parish** for the Polish people living in the Glen Park area of **Gary.** Currently, Father Joseph F. Semancik, Ph.D., is the Pastor of Sacred Heart, East Chicago, and serves as the Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities. Father Stanley J. Milewski serves Holy Family Parish as Pastor.

Established in 1927, **Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish,** in the Indiana Harbor district of **East Chicago,** would be entrusted to the Congre-

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GRATITUDE is a fruit of great cultivation: you do not find it among gross people. — Johnson

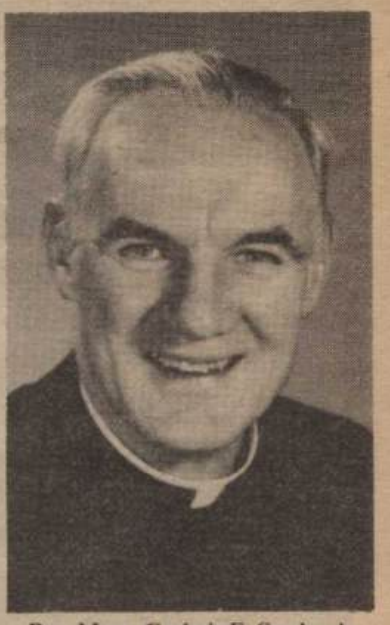
Vicars General of the Diocese

The vicar general has often been called an *alter ego* of the bishop because of his close association with the administration of the diocese. A vicar general is a prelate appointed by the bishop who enjoys the same jurisdictional authority as the bishop, except in special cases reserved to the bishop by himself or by Church law.

The Diocese of Gary has had only two vicars general since its foundation.

The premier vicar general was Monsignor Stanley F. Zjawinski, P.A. Monsignor Zjawinski was appointed the first Vicar General of the Diocese of Gary on February 25, 1958 and continued in that post until his death on November 25, 1968.

Rev. Msgr. Stanley F. Zjawinski, P.A.
Premier Vicar General



Rev. Msgr. Casimir E. Senderak
Second Vicar General

The second Vicar General of the Diocese of Gary, Monsignor Casimir E. Senderak, was appointed to that position on December 12, 1967 and served in that capacity concurrently with Monsignor Zjawisnki until the latter's death.

After the death of Monsignor Zjawinski and until the present day, Monsignor Senderak is the chief deputy of the Bishop as Vicar General, while he continues to serve as Pastor of Saint Casimir parish in Hammond.

Journey to Jubilee

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one time have served the parish. A special guest, who also concelebrated, was the Provincial of the Order of the Priests of the Sacred Heart, Rev. John Klingler, S.C.J. Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish has been administered by Sacred Heart priests since 1937.

The dedication ceremonies also marked the Golden Anniversary of the parish, founded 50 years ago in 1927 by Reverend Octavius Zavatta.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka placed a commemorative floral wreath on the grave of Msgr. C. M. Milinarovich, noted Slovak priest who died in 1971 at the age of 83.

The ceremony was part of the activities at the annual 'Slovak Day' at the Seven Dolors Shrine in South Haven.

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The Diocesan Chancery officially announced a heavenly patroness for the new parish recently formed out of the northern part of St. Joseph Parish in Dyer and St. Michael Parish in Schererville. The parish has been placed under the patronage of Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr.

With the approval of the Bishop, Reverend Richard H. Ameling, the founding pastor conducted a poll among his parishioners who chose Saint Maria Goretti.

August

The annual Croatian Day, sponsored jointly by St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Gary and Croatian fraternal organizations and national groups was held Sunday, August 14, at the Spanish Picnic Grounds in Gary.

The day began with a 11:00 a.m. Tamburitza Mass celebrated in the Croatian language. Entertainment, dancing, and the consumption of many varied and tasty foods filled the remainder of the day.

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Monsignor Michael A. Campagna, founder and director of Hoosier Boys' Town in Schererville announced his retirement as director, effective on July 31.

At the same time it was announced that Reverend Gregory P. Holicky, presently in residence and assisting at the Home, would assume the role of director.

Monsignor Campagna founded the home for boys in need of a proper home environment in 1947, and continued to direct its destiny until the present time. In addition to his work with youth, he served as pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in East Chicago from 1933 until 1968, when he was released from hs pastoral duties to devote his full time to the direction of Boys' Town.

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Sister M. Francine of the Franciscan Sisters of Chicago celebrated the Silver Jubilee of her religious life at the congregation's motherhouse in Lemont, Ilinois recently. Sister attended St. Hedwig School in Gary, and Madonna High School in Chicago. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Labus, Sr., members of St. Mark Parish in Gary.

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Calumet College in Hammond held an open house for prospective students on its campus, Sunday, August 21. Members of the college's faculty and staff were on hand to explain the facility and answer any questions about the college, admissions, requirements, financial aid, and student activities.

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The Diocese of Gary announced the formation of a Catholic Marriage Preparation Course for future marriage partners.

The course, aimed at providing the engaged couples with a learning experience designed to help them understand one another, and the nature and responsibilities of the married state is sponsored by the Diocese and the Family Research Institute of St. Paul, Minnesota.

The week end course is an enlargement of the Pre-Cana Conferences which have been conducted in the Diocese for many years, and will replace the former sessions.

September

The 42nd annual Slovak Pilgrimage in honor of the Sorrowful Mother was held on Sunday, September 18 at the Seven Dolors Shrine in South Haven. Highlight of the day was a concelebrated Mass in the Slovak language at the outdoor grotto, with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka as the principal celebrant.

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The Sisters' Council of the Diocese of Gary sponsored a Day of Recommitment at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels on Sunday, September 25. Sisters of the Diocese were in attendance at a 6:00 Mass celebrated by Bishop Grutka.

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Whence you ought to know that the bishop is in the Church, and the Church in the bishop; and if anyone be not with the bishop, that he is not in the Church.

— Saint Cyprian: *Letters*, 68, 8.

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DEUS MEUS ET OMNIA

Congratulations and Best Wishes
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THE GARY DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
wishes to congratulate the
Diocese of Gary
on its Silver Jubilee
and a special congratulations
to our spiritual leader
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka

'CONGRATULATIONS'
Mantellate Sisters, Servants of Mary
Blue Island, Illinois

Journey to Jubilee

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Officers elected to serve the Council for the coming year included: Chairperson, Sister M. Grace Clemens, St. Mary, Griffith; Co-chairperson, Sister Gertrude Bauer, Sacred Heart, Whiting; Treasurer, Sister Leonard Minyo, Holy Trinity, Gary; Corresponding Secretary, Sister Gloria Jean Kozlowski, St. John Bosco, Hammond, and Recording Secretary, Sister M. Elizabeth Hopper, St. Monica, Gary.

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Hammond attorney Timothy P. Galvin was presented with a plaque, commemorating his 19 years as a member of the board of directors of Our Sunday Visitor, Inc.

Bishop William E. McManus, Bishop of the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese and chairman of OSV's board of directors, made the presentation at the OSV plant in Huntington. On hand to offer his congratulations was Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, also a member of the board.

Mr. Galvin retired as an active member of OSV's board and the board named him an honorary director. He is a member of St. John Bosco Parish in Hammond.

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The memory of an early pioneer of the San Pierre area, Rev. Joseph Stephan was honored by members of All Saints Parish who named their parish hall as the Father Stephan Memorial Hall.

In impressive ceremonies the Father Stephan Memorial Hall was dedicated on Sunday Sept. 18. "Father Stephan was the founder and first pastor of our historic All Saints Church — the first Catholic church built in Starke County — almost 120 years ago, and his contributions to our community will be fittingly memorialized in our church hall," said Father Theodore Mens, present pastor at All Saints.

October

More than 40 Sisters and lay teachers who formerly taught at St. Patrick grade school in East Chicago were present on Saturday, October 8 for a student-teacher homecoming to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the establishment of St. Patrick Parish.

Former students and alumni of the school came from all over the Calumet area to attend the reunion which included a concelebrated Mass, tea and open house, and an evening reception.

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Martin E. Sohovich was named by members of St. Thomas Council Knights of Columbus in Hobart to receive the council's Columbian Award for 1977. The award is presented each year on Columbus Day to a member of the council in recognition of outstanding achievement for the Knights of Columbus, the Church, and the community. Sohovich and his family are members of Our Lady of Consolation Parish in Merrillville.

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Parishioners at Sacred Heart Parish in Whiting celebrated the 50th anniversary of the dedication of church building on October 9. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka joined the parishioners in their celebration by concelebrating an Anniversary Mass with the pastor, Rev. F. Raymond Fowerbaugh. Present and former parishioners gathered that evening for a dinner-dance at the Whiting K. of C. Hall.

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Members of St. Monica Parish in Gary marked the 50th anniversary of the parish with a Liturgy of Thanksgiving on October 29 concelebrated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and the pastor, Rev. William L. Martin. The day's celebration concluded with an Anniversary Banquet in the evening at Blessed Sacrament Hall in Gary.

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Fifty years of service to the parish and the community by the Society of the Precious Blood priests and lay brothers was commemorated on Sunday, October 23 with a Mass celebrated at St. John the Baptist Church in Whiting. The Very Reverend Charles Bricher, C.PP.S., Provincial of the Society celebrated the 5:30 p.m. Mass, assisted by Rev. Edward C. Homco, C.PP.S., pastor at St. John the Baptist since 1957.

In addition to their parish assignments in the Diocese of Gary, Precious Blood priests have been operating Calumet College in Hammond since its founding in 1951 at Bishop Noll Institute, as the re-

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SCHOOL MASS — Students, teachers and administrators of the Catholic Schools joined with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka in the celebration of a Liturgy of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels on Friday, February 18, 1977. Superintendent of the Diocese of Gary Schools, Rev. Raymond F. Fowerbaugh, and Rev. Don Grass, Pastor of the Cathedral Parish joined the Bishop in concelebrating the Liturgy, which was part of the celebration marking both the twentieth anniversary of the founding of the Diocese, and the consecration of Bishop Grutka as its first Ordinary. Representatives from both the religious and lay faculties of each of the diocesan schools, together with almost 400 student representatives were present for the ceremonies.

MAY GOD SHOWER HIS BLESSINGS
ON OUR BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA
AND THE PEOPLE OF GOD
IN THE DIOCESE OF GARY
ON THIS JOYOUS OCCASION
MARKING THE SILVER JUBILEE
OF THE FOUNDING OF THE DIOCESE
AND THE CONSECRATION
OF ITS FIRST SPIRITUAL SHEPHERD

— The Pastor and People of St. Mary Parish, Otis

Chancellors of the Diocese

Three men have served as chancellors of the Diocese of Gary since its foundation and one other has served as co-chancellor.

The distinction of being the **premier chancellor** of the Diocese of Gary went to Monsignor John J. Charlebois, presently Pastor of Saint Paul Parish in Valparaiso. Monsignor Charlebois was appointed Pro-Chancellor on March 14, 1957 and Chancellor of the Diocese on July 8, 1959. He served in that capacity until April 1, 1971. He continues to serve in an official capacity in the Diocese of Gary, having been appointed Episcopal Vicar of the Porter-Starke Vicariate on April 1, 1971 and a Diocesan Consultor.

Father James A. Coriden, J.C.D., was appointed Co-Chancellor of the Diocese of Gary on September 14, 1966 and served in that capacity until July 30, 1968.

On April 1, 1971 Father Robert P. Gehring, presently Pastor of Saint Mary Parish in East Chicago, was appointed the **second Chancellor** of the Diocese of Gary. Father Gehring has just finished a term as President of the Priests' Senate of the Diocese of Gary.

Msgr. John J. Charlebois
First Chancellor

Father John F. Morales, J.C.D., Pastor of Saint Mark Parish in Gary, was appointed **third Chancellor** of the Diocese of Gary on October 2, 1974 and currently holds the assignment.

Father John F. Morales, J.C.D.
Present Chancellor

The chancellor is the chief administrative officer of the diocese and is directly responsible to the bishop in that capacity. It is his duty to draw up written documents in the government of the diocese, preserve, and arrange the diocesan archives and records.

Officiales of the Diocese

The *officialis*, appointed by the bishop in accord with Canon Law, is the presiding judge of the collegiate tribunal. His duty is to direct trials and to decide whatever is necessary for the administration of justice in cases pending before the diocesan court. This position, in judicial matters, corresponds to that of the vicar general, who enjoys analogous competence in administrative matters.

The Diocese of Gary has had three *Officiales* since its foundation in 1957.

The first or premier *Officialis* of the Diocese of Gary, appointed on August 15, 1957, was Monsignor Paul P. Bogovich, Pastor of Holy Trinity (Croatian) Parish in East Chicago. Monsignor Bogovich held that post until hs resignation on July 22, 1968. He continues to serve as a Diocesan Consultor.

On July 30, 1968, Father John F. Morales, J.C.D., was appointed the second *Officialis* of the Diocese of Gary and presided over the diocesan tribunal until his appointment as Chancellor on October 2, 1974.

Msgr. Paul P. Bogovich
First Officialis

On the Feast of the Holy Angels, October 2, 1974, Father John J. Siekierski, J.C.L., was appointed the third *Officialis* of the Diocese of Gary and continues to serve the People of God in Northwest Indiana in this capacity, today. Father Siekierski, also is currently Pastor of Saint Hedwig Parish, Gary.

Father John J. Siekierski, J.C.L.
Present Officialis

When the work which the Father gave the Son to do on earth was accomplished, the Holy Spirit was sent on the day of Pentecost in order that He might continually sanctify the Church, and thus, all those who believe would have access through Christ in one Spirit to the Father. He is the Spirit of Life, a fountain of water springing up to eternal life. To men, dead in sin, the Father gives life through Him, until, in Christ, He brings to life their mortal bodies. The Spirit dwells in the Church and in the hearts of the faithful, as in a temple. In them He prays on their behalf and bears witness to the fact that they are adopted sons. The Church, which the spirit guides in way of all truth and which he unified in communion and works of ministry. He both equips and directs with hierarchical and charismatic gifts and adorns with His fruits. By the power of the Gospel He makes the Church keep the freshness of youth. Uninterruptedly He renews it and leads it to perfect union with its Spouse.

— II Vatican Council, Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, *Lumen Gentium*, 21 November 1964, No. 4.

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gation of the Priests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to staff. This religious community has served the needs of that parish with distinction. Its present Pastor is Father Alfonso Muniz, S.C.J., assisted by Fathers George Balderrama, S.C.J., John A. Nitzki, S.C.J., William Devine, S.C.J., and Father Jairo Tellez.

We noted that Holy Trinity (Croatian) Parish, in **Gary** moved to its present location of Forty-Fifth Avenue and built another foundation under the name of Saint Joseph the Worker. Thus, the vacated church at Twenty-Second Avenue and Adams Street became **Saint Monica Parish** in 1927. In 1982 the two Gary parishes of **Saint Luke and Saint Monica** have been re-organized under the spiritual leadership of a single Pastor, Father William L. Martin, who is also Diocesan Director of the Catholic Youth Organization.

Bishop Noll's attentions were turned to **Griffith**, Indiana, when, in 1928, he founded **Saint Mary Parish.** The present Pastor, Father Richard F. Zollinger, who is also the Vocations Director for the Diocese of Gary, first came to Saint Mary Parish in Griffith, as an assistant on July 5, 1961 until September 14, 1966. Returning, he was appointed Pastor on May 1, 1972 and is assisted by Father Derrick F. Dudash.

Catholics of the **Miller area, in Gary,** received pastoral attention when in 1929 **Saint Mary of the Lake Parish** was founded, with Saint Francis Xavier in **Lake Station** as a Mission. The following year, in 1930, **Saint Francis Xavier** became a Parish in its own right. Presently Father Ralph G. Hoffmann, ministers to people in Miller as Pastor with the assistance of newly ordained Father Walter M. Ciesla. Monsignor Paul S. Haney, is the Pastor at Saint Francis Xavier in Lake Station. He came there on June 1, 1973, having served over twenty-one years as a Chaplain in the United States Air Force, from which he retired as Colonel.

Father David H. Gosnell, is the Pastor of **Holy Rosary Parish, Gary,** which was founded by Bishop Noll in 1931, originally to care for the Catholic people West of the Ambridge district in Gary.

A committee of Italian people from East Chicago, pursued Bishop John F. Noll who assigned Father Michael A. Campagna to establish **Immaculate Conception Parish** in **East Chicago** on July 1, 1933. Monsignor Michael A. Campagna died as Director of Hoosier Boys' Town, in Schererville, on July 25, 1979. The present Pastor of Immaculate Conception in East Chicago is Father Joseph E. Pusateri.

To serve the Catholics moving South in **Hammond, Saint John Bosco Parish** was established in 1934 and **Our Lady of Perpetual Help** in 1937. Father Alfred W. Reinig, its first Pastor was appointed on January 5, 1937. Later named a Monsignor on May 31, 1959 at the request of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, Monsignor Reinig died in his bed at Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish, Michigan City, on December 19, 1963.

The present Father of Saint John Bosco Parish, Hammond, is Monsignor Everard N. Klein, assisted by Father Raymond C. Schulte. The pastorate at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Hammond, is held by Father Stephen J. Vrabely, who is assisted by Father Richard A. Emerson.

The Southern-most parish in Lake County, **Saint Theresa, Shelby,** was established in 1939. Father J. Patrick Gaza, who is Director of Hoosier Boys' Town, in Schererville, presently serves as Pastor in Shelby.

In 1942 the area known as **Black Oak, in Gary,** became a Parish under the patronage of **Saint Ann.** Father John F. Minnich has been Pastor there since February 28, 1967.

From 1857 until 1944, the entire State of Indiana had but two episcopal Sees — the Diocese of Indianapolis and the Diocese of Fort Wayne. His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, established the Church at Indianapolis as an Archdiocese on October 21, 1944. On December 19, 1944 the Papal Delegate, Most Reverend Amleto Giovanni (later Cardinal) Cicognani, solemnly proclaimed the Papal Decree which also established the State of Indiana into a Province in the Church. The **Dioceses** of **Evansville** and **Lafayette-in-Indiana,** were created by the same Decree, and along with the Diocese of Fort Wayne made Suffragan Sees of Indianapolis.

This action by the Pope removed twelve counties from the jurisdiction of Indianapolis to form the Diocese of Evansville, and twenty-four counties from the Diocese of Fort Wayne began the establishment of the diocese at Lafayette. After this, there was no change in diocesan boundaries until the formation of the Diocese of Gary twenty-five years ago.

The same Roman Pontiff, Pope Pius XII, on December 10, 1956 removed the four Counties of Northwest Indiana — Lake, La Porte, Porter and Starke, from the jurisdiction of the Diocese of Fort Wayne to create the Diocese of Gary. This brought Archbishop Cicognani to Indiana, once again, on February 25, 1957 to consecrate Gary's first Bishop — The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.

Before the formation of the Diocese of Gary, however, Northwestern Indiana would remain the concern of the Bishop at Fort Wayne. Continuing that pastoral solicitude, Bishop John F. Noll assigned Father Robert B. Weis to establish a parish in **Munster** on October 23, 1945. That parish would be dedicated to **Saint Thomas More,** the English lawyer who was martyred by King Henry VIII. Father Weis still serves the Catholics of Munster, assisted by Fathers Edward F. Webb and Robert J. Tokarz.

Saint Helen Parish in Hebron was begun, in 1946, and received its first Pastor on July 8, 1947, Father Ambrose Sweitzer, who died on January 11, 1967 as Pastor of Saint Joseph Parish, Dyer. The present Pastor in Hebron is Father Matthew J. Kish, who recently completed the construction of a new parish center.

On July 8, 1947 Bishop Noll assigned Father Alvin J. Jasinski to inaugurate a parish in the area of Independence Hill, which now is a part of the Town of **Merrillville.** Known at first as Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, later, be-

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First Bishop of the Diocese of Gary

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Another high point in the Bishop's life came on April 28, 1957 when he administered the Sacrament of Confirmation for the first time in the Diocese of Gary at Holy Trinity Parish which he had served as pastor.

Bishop Grutka became a member of the Board of Trustees of Our Sunday Visitor, Inc. on March 28, 1957. In August of 1958 the Bishopo led a Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, France. At that time he participated in a Mariology Conference at Lourdes with leading theologians from all over the world.

Champion of Education

Since his consecration the Bishop has furthered the development of education in the Diocese. Both Andrean High School in Gary and Bishop Noll Institute were constructed during his administration. He has also been foresighted in purchasing property for additional schools and parishes in the Diocese and has been responsible for the development of a number of new parishes in recent years. It was also through his efforts that the Institute of Saints Cyril and Methodius was built in Rome for the education of young men for the priesthood in Slovakia.

Because of his interest in youth, he purchased and developed Camp Lawrence, a Diocesan Youth Camp, located near Valparaiso.

More recently, the Bishop was honored at a luncheon on November 30, 1976 — the Feast of Saint Andrew — when he was presented with the Good Scout Award of the Calumet Council, Boy Scouts of America for his encouragement of youth programs such as scouting in the area.

October 11, 1962 marked the first general session of the Second Vatican Council. Bishop Grutka was in Rome as a participant on this day and subsequently attended all four sessions of the Council. During the Third Session, on October 28, 1964 he delivered an intervention from the Council floor — a powerful denunciation of racial discrimination and other forms of racial injustice. Long a champion of interracial justice, the Bishop had previously written a pastoral letter on racial justice and charity, entitled *'How Good a Neighbor Am I?'*, which was published in the Gary Sunday Visitor and later reprinted in pamphlet form. He also served as Chairman of the Human Relations Committee in Gary.

February 25, 1967 marked the tenth anniversary of the foundation of the Diocese of Gary and of the episcopal consecration of its first Bishop. The occasion was marked by a Mass of Thanksgiving concelebrated by Bishop Grutka and the original co-consecrators, John Patrick Cardinal Cody and Bishop Leo A. Pursley. Archbishop Paul C. Schulte of Indianapolis, who preached at the consecration, returned to fulfill the same office on the tenth anniversary.

During the annual meeting of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington, D.C., November 13 to 18, 1967, Bishop Grutka, who serves on the administrative board, headed a committee to draft a 'Peace Resolution,' which subsequently was adopted and released by the NCCB.

Recognition of Bishop Grutka's long interest in promoting devotion to the Mother of God came from the Vatican on January 5, 1970 when he was appointed a member of the Pontifical International Marian Academy and was chosen to serve on its permanent committee for Mariological congresses.

Honored by University

On June 7, 1970, Bishop Grutka was the recipient of the University of Evansville Medal of Honor. The citation noted that the honoree brought distinction to Indiana and expressed praise and appreciation to Bishop Grutka for his powerful denunciations of racial discrimination, his efforts for world peace, for youth, the City of Gary, and for the education of young men for the priesthood.

Bishop Grutka was elected President of the Catholic Communications Foundation on January 6, 1971. At the same time he agreed, upon request, to continue to serve as treasurer of the Foundation.

In November of 1976 the Bishop was elected Chairman of the Board of the CCF at their annual meeting in Washington, D.C., becoming the fourth member of the hierarchy to hold this position since the establishment of the Foundation.

As episcopal advisor to the American Catholic Correctional Chaplains Association Bishop Grutka continues to fight for the reform of the penal system in the United States. He delivered a statement on *'The Reform of Correctional Institutions in the 1970's* to the general meeting of the U.S. Bishops in November of 1973 which was subsequently adopted as a resolution by the

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TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION — Sunday, February 20, 1977 brought the priests and several visiting archbishops and bishops to Holy Angels Cathedral for a historic Mass of Thanksgiving. Pictured in the foreground (left to right) are Their Excellencies: Joseph R. Crowley, Auxiliary Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend; William E. McManus, Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend; Joseph B. Brunini, Bishop of Jackson, Mississippi and classmate of Bishop Grutka; Leo A. Pursley, former Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend; George J. Biskup, Archbishop of Indianapolis (died October 17, 1979); Andrew G. Grutka, Bishop of Gary; Lawrence L Graner, C.S.C., former Archbishop of Dacca in Bangladesh; John L. Morkovsky, Bishop of Galveston-Houston, Texas; Raymond J. Gallagher, Bishop of Lafayette in Indiana; Francis R. Shea, Bishop of Evansville; and Abbot Thomas J. Havlik, O.S.B. of Saint Procopius Abbey, Lisle, Illinois.

A DISTINGUISHED VISITOR — Archbishop Jozef Tomko (right), close personal friend of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka (left), is welcomed at Mass in Saint John the Baptist Church, Whiting on April 30, 1981. Archbishop Tomko, who is Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops in Rome, celebrated the Mass of Saint Joseph the Worker on this occasion. Other concelebrants included host-pastor, Father Edward C. Homco, C.PP.S., and many other priests of Slovak extraction in the United States.

Thus, the Church has been seen as "a people made one with the unity of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit."

— II Vatican Council, Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, *Lumen Gentium*, 21 November 1964, No. 4.

The Congregation of the
Franciscan Sisters of Chicago
Extend Heartiest
Anniversary Congratulations to
THE MOST REVEREND
ANDREW GRUTKA
and share the JOYS of a
Dual Silver Jubilee Celebration
of the Diocese of Gary
Having Served The People of God

IN THE PAST

St. John Cantius, IN Harbor 1907-1977
St. Mary Hammond of Czestochowa 1914-1970
Sacred Heart, Tolleston 1918-1968
Assumption, Hobart 1919-1969
St. Hedwig, Gary 1909-1979
Sacred Heart, La Porte 1916-1969
St. Joseph, East Chicago 1918-1968
St. Matthias, Crown Point 1970-1975

MY GOD and MY ALL
FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF CHICAGO

IN THE PRESENT

Blessed Sacrament, Gary — St. Anthony, Crown Point REST HOME — HOSPITAL

1960 SINCE 1939

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gion's extension of St. Joseph College in Rensselaer, Indiana.

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Sister M. Theresa Michna pronounced her Perpetual Vows in the Community of the Daughters of the Most Holy Savior in ceremonies conducted at St. Mark Church in Gary. The vows were received by Sister Aegidia, the Provincial Superior from Germany, during a Mass celebrated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Michna of Velka Lesna, Czechoslovakia, Sister Therese came to the United States at the age of 16. She entered the Community in 1970. She is a graduate of the School of Nursing at Indiana University Northwest Campus in Gary and is presently working as an R.N. at St. Mary Medical Center.

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Twenty Sisters of the Diocese were commissioned as extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist at ceremonies conducted Sunday, October 23 at Andrean High School. During the service, Rev. Gerald A. Sroka, Vicar for Religious commissioned the following Sisters as extraordinary ministers: Sister Candace Scheidt, P.H.J.C.; Sister Carol Ann Votruba, R.S.M.; Sister Carol Marie Walsh, SS.C.M.; Sister Carol Stech, O.S.F.; Sister Claudia Koselke, P.H.J.C.; Sister M. Dolorosa Becher, O.S.F.; Sister Domicella Pekala; Sister Elizabeth Tobin, S.B.S.; Sister Francis Marie GerHard, R.S.M.; Sister Jane Marie Kulczak, S.S.N.D.; Sister Lillian Marie Connolly, R.S.M.; Sister Mariella Hoffman, O.S.F.; Sister Marie Virgene Wozniak, O.S.F.; Sister Mary Benedict Begin, R.S.M.; Sister Mary Blanche Rausch, O.S.F. Sister Mary Elise Kriss, O.S.F. Sister Mary Michelle Kriss, O.S.F.; Sister Mary Florence Salatka, R.S.M.; Sister Rita Marie Biegel, O.S.F., and Sister Seraphia Cziura.

November

An announcement from Raymond J. Krajewski, Vice President-Academic Affairs, revealed that Father Robert Conway, C.PP.S. had been appointed Chaplain at Calumet College in Hammond.

Father Conway had worked part time at the college since 1975, as an instructor in History.

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A Chancery announcement revealed the appointment of Rev. John J. Siekierski, J. C. L., as Administrator of Saint Theresa Parish in Shelby.

Father Siekierski's pastoral duties will be in addition to his duties as Official of the Diocesan Marriage Tribunal and as Vice Chancellor of the Diocese.

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A $6 million fund drive was announced by Calumet College in Hammond. In making the announcement, Board Chairman L. Cosby Bernard said the five-year fund drive, to be called 'Bridge to the 80s,' will provide a firm financial foundation for the college, and the time needed to develop the living endowment of the Standard Oil gift.

In 1973 Standard Oil donated its Research and Development Center to Calumet College. The site contains 256 acres and 18 buildings in the Whiting-Robertsdale area.

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Members of the Assumption B.V.M. Parish in New Chicago observed the 60th anniversary of the parish's founding on Sunday, November 27.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka concelebrated an 11:00 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving on that date with the pastor, Rev. John A. Murzyn, and Rev. Valerian S. Karcz, Pastor Emeritus. An open house for friends of the parish was held in the church hall following the Mass.

December

A department of Pastoral Care was established at St. Catherine Hospital in East Chicago. The department will be headed by Rev. Thomas L. Kenealy, S.J. He will be joined by Rev. Anthony Suelzer, Hospital Chaplain; Pastoral Associate Sister M. Philomene Pawlik, P.H.J.C., and Sister M. Siena Marszalek, P.H. J.C.

The team hopes to provide emotional support and reassurance for patients about to undergo surgery, and for their families.

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The Chief Shepherd of the Diocese of Gary became a chief of another nature when he was presented with a citation designating him as a 'Sagamore of the Wabash' at ceremonies conducted December 2 at Wicker Park in Highland.

Governor Otis R. Bowen, M.d. awarded the citation to Bishop Andrew G. Grutka in recognition of the Bishop's distinguished record of service to the Governor and to the people of the State of Indiana.

The term 'sagamore' was originally used by certain tribes of Indians in the northeastern United States to describe a great chief among the tribe, to whom the principal chief would look for wisdom and advice.

The honorary award, the highest award a citizen of the Hoosier State can recieve, can be bestowed only by the Governor.

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The Feast of Our lady of Guadalupe was celebrated liturgically on Saturday, December 10 during the 5:00 p.m. Mass at All Saints Church in Hammond.

The celebration recalls the events which occurred in 1531 when the Blessed Virgin appeared in Guadalupe, a little town north of Mexico City, to a simple Indian named Juan Diego.

Rev. Robert B. Evers, Pastor and Rev. Edward Moszur concelebrated a Mass in the Spanish language. During the Offertory the children of the parish presented flowers to Father Evers in honor of Our Lady. As part of the celebration before the Mass, a Mariachi Band presented the traditional serenade to the Virgin.

A fiesta in the parish hall was held following the Mass, with typical Mexican food, entertainment and dancing.

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Perry Q. Reinert of Munster

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In the beginning was the Word;
the Word was in God's presence,
and the Word was God.

He was present to God in the beginning,

Through Him all things came into being,
and apart from Him nothing came to be.

Whatever came to be in Him, found life,
life for the light of men.

The light shines on in darkness,
a darkness that did not overcome it.

John 1:1-5

The Word became flesh
and made His dwelling among us,
and we have seen His glory:
the glory of an only Son coming from the Father
filled with enduring love.

John 1:14

Congratulations and blessings, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, D.D., on your 25th Anniversary as first Bishop of the Diocese of Gary, Indiana, from all of us in Catholic Schools — dear Children, devoted Parents, caring Teachers (Religious and Lay), Administrators and all other faithful School Personnel.

Elementary

CEDAR LAKE
Holy Name School

CHESTERTON
St. Patrick School

CROWN POINT
St. Mary's School

DYER
St. Joseph School

EAST CHICAGO
Holy Trinity
Indiana Harbor Catholic
St. Mary's
St. Stanislaus

GARY
Blessed Sacrament
Holy Angels Cathedral
Holy Trinity
St. Ann
St. Joseph the Worker
St. Mark
St. Mary of the Lake
St. Monica

GRIFFITH
St. Mary's

HAMMOND
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
St. Casimir
St. Catherine of Siena
St. John Bosco

HIGHLAND
Our Lady of Grace

HOBART
St. Bridget

KNOX
St. Thomas Aquinas

LAKE STATION
St. Francis Xavier

LA PORTE
St. Joseph

LOWELL
St. Edward

MERRILLVILLE
Aquinas Elementary

SS. Peter & Paul

MICHIGAN CITY
Notre Dame
Queen of All Saints
St. Mary's
St. Stanislaus

MUNSTER
St. Thomas More

PORTAGE
Nativity of Our Savior

ST. JOHN
St. John Evangelist

SCHERERVILLE
St. Michael

VALPARAISO
St. Paul

WHITING
Immaculate Conception
Sacred Heart
St. John the Baptist

Secondary

HAMMOND
Bishop Noll Institute

MERRILLVILLE
Andrean High School

MICHIGAN CITY
Marquette High School

DIOCESAN SCHOOL COMMISSION

Mr. Walter Cisowski, President
Mr. John Ferree, Vice-President
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Dr. Geraldine Peiffer
Mr. Walter Timm
Rev. A. H. Van Nevel

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Sister Serena Ziolkowski, S.P.
Curriculum Coordinator

Miss Jane Emmerth
Administrative Aide

Mrs. Daniella Shaffer
School Office Bookkeeper

Miss Bernice Last
Office Secretary

MONSIGNOR H. JAMES CONWAY
Superintendent 1957-1962

MONSIGNOR F. J. MELEVAGE
Superintendent 1962-1974

FATHER F. RAYMOND FOWERBAUGH
1974-

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was installed as President of the lay advisory board of the Gary Diocesan Catholic Charities. The announcement was made by Rev. Joseph Semancik, Catholic Charities Director.

Reinert has served the Catholic Charities/Catholic Family Service advisory board as chairman of the community relations committee. He is a member of St. Thomas More Parish in Munster.

1978

January

Two Diocese of Gary Sisters made their final commitment to God as Sisters of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ at the Provincialate in Donaldson, Indiana. They are Sister Mary Ann Dettmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Dettmer of St. Joseph Parish in LaPorte, and Sister M. Joyce O'Boy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley O'Boy, members of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Hammond.

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Persons from all over Northeast Indiana and Northeast Illinois gathered Friday, January 20 at the Christian Reformed Church in Munster for an interfaith prayer service in remembrance of the January 22, 1973 Supreme Court ruling legalizing abortion on demand. The service was sponsored by the Lake County Indiana Right to Life and the Illinois Right to Life.

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A Requiem Mass was offered on January 17 at the Saint Anthony Rest Home Chapel in Crown Point for Rev. Theophane C. Kalinowski, O.F.M., 72.

Father Theophane had been a resident at the Rest Home since September 1, 1977. Previous to this, he was a resident at the Franciscan House of Prayer in Cedar Lake since 1960.

Principal celebrant of the Mass was Bishop Andrew G. Grutka. Concelebrants were Franciscan priests and other members of the clergy from the Diocese of Gary and from Chicago, Illinois.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka announced the opening of a newly remodeled facility which will house many of the major offices of the Diocese of Gary.

To be known as the Cathedral Center, the office complex is located at 975 West Sixth Avenue in Gary.

Officers to be located in the Cathedral Center include the Diocesan Marriage Tribunal, the Gary Sunday Visitor, the Newman Apostolate, the Catholic Marriage Preparation Course, Confraternity of Christian Doctrine and Religious Education, Retirement Plan of the Diocese of Gary, and the Priests' Senate and Sisters' Council.

Monday, January 23 marked the first day of service to the people of the Diocese from the Cathderal Center.

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An announcement from Bishop Andrew G. Grutka has revealed the establishment of another parish in the Diocese of Gary.

The new parish, to be temporarily designated as 'The Porter-Lake Area Parish, is comprised of major portions of Union and Porter Townships in Porter County, and small portions of Ross and Winfield Townships in Lake County.

Named as founding Pastor of the parish is Rev. John J. Savio, presently Associate Pastor at St. Mary of the Lake Parish in Gary.

This marks the second new parish established in the Diocese in recent months. St. Maria Goretti Parish, in the North Dyer, Northwest Schererville area was formed on June 5, 1977. Father Richard H. Ameling is the founding Pastor.

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Deacon Walter J. Rakoczy Jr. was ordained as a priest of the Diocese of Gary on Saturday, January 28 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka.

Father Rakoczy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Rakoczy Sr. of East Chicago.

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Funeral Services were conducted on Monday, January 23 at Our Lady of Grace Church in Highland for Mark S. Furman, Director of the Northwest Indiana Catholic Youth Organization.

Furman, 28, died on January 19, the victim of a tragic shooting incident on the Calumet Expressway, near Dolton, Illinois.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of the funeral Mass. Concelebrating with the Bishop were several diocesan priests who were associated with Mr. Furman in the work of the CYO. Father William L. Martin, CYO Executive Director, was the homilist.

Furman joined the Diocesan CYO staff as Director in May of 1974. Under his leadership the Youth department grew in scope, staff and programs.

February

Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday, February 8 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels in Gary for Rev. Vincent C. Eckert, C.S.B., Procurator of Andrean High School.

Father Eckert, 62, died Sunday, February 5 at the priests' residence at Andrean in Merrillville.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of the funeral Mass and Rev. James Hanrahand, C.S.B., Superior General of the Basilian Congregation offered the Final Commendation. Rev. Joseph Dorsey, C.S.B., regional representative of the Basilian Fathers, gave the Homily.

Father Eckert came to Andrean High School on September 1, 1960.

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Rev. Joseph V. Murphy was elected President of the Diocese of Gary Priests' Senate at the organization's last meeting. Assisting him for the coming year will be Rev. Carl F. Mengeling, Vice President, and Rev. Raymond C. Schulte, Secretary.

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The Church, then is God's only flock; it is like a standard lifted high for the nations to see it: for it serves all mankind through the Gospel of peace as it makes its pilgrim way in hope toward the goal of the fatherland above.

— II Vatican Council, Decree on Ecumenism, *Unitatis Redintegratio*, 21 November 1964, No. 2.

THE SLOVAK CATHOLIC FEDERATION
OFFERS CONGRATULATIONS
TO ITS EPISCOPAL MODERATOR,
BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA
ON THE OCCASION OF
THE SILVER JUBILEE
OF HIS ORDINATION AS BISHOP,
AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
THE DIOCESE OF GARY

The Abraham Lincoln Assembly Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus, who served as Guard of Honor in the Cathedral of the Holy Angels at the Solemn Rites wherein the Episcopal See of Gary was instituted and its First Bishop was consecrated on February 25, 1957, extends its cordial felicitations to the Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, who observes his TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY as Bishop of the Diocese of Gary on February 25, 1982.

For the Assembly:
Irvin J. Beyer,
Faithful Navigator

Most Reverend Jozef Tomko, Ph. D., S.T.D., J.C.D.

Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops
Titular Archbishop of Doclea
Ordained priest for the Diocese of Kosice, March 12, 1949.
Appointed Secretary General of the Synod of Bishops and
Titular Archbishop of Doclea on July 12, 1979.
Consecrated by His Holiness, Pope John Paul II,
in the Sistine Chapel at the Vatican
on September 15, 1979.

SYNODUS EPISCOPORUM
Secretaria Generalis

Prot. N. .....
(In responsione hoc mentio huius numeri)

E Civitate Vaticana, die January 29, 1982

Dear Bishop Grutka,

I have just received the invitation to the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Diocese of Gary and of your consecration as its first bishop on February 21 - 22, 1982.

I am very sorry that the duties of my office do not permit me to participate in these two important celebrations. The ties of old friendship, now further strengthened by fraternal collegiality, would have overcome all other obstacles or distance but not ones duty.

However, may I take the liberty to express at least some words of heartfelt sentiment. The celebrations shall be for you an occasion to give thanks to God and to reap now the fruits of a long and exhausting work as a sower. As a young bishop you had to immediately face the enormous task of setting up a diocese as institution and as community of love, well knowing that "ubi caritas ibi Deus". And now this flourishing community will express its gratitude to you.

Indeed your activity reaches beyond the confines of your diocese. In the name of my Slovak co-nationals I would like, therefore, to thank you for all that which the love for the heredity of Saints Cyril and Methodius, for our people and our culture has inspired you to do and especially concerning the Institute of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Rome. The words of the Holy Father during his visit to the Institute on the 8th of November, 1981 are the best reward for your efforts.

May God keep you always, grant you good health and much spiritual satisfaction.

Your Brother in Christ,

+Jozef Tomko

Secr. Gen.

COAT OF ARMS OF BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA

The coat of arms of every residential bishop is made up of four parts: the coat of arms of the diocese, the bishop's personal coat of arms, the motto and the external ornaments.

In the Bishop's coat of arms, the right side, on the left of the viewer, is the arms of the Diocese of Gary. The left impalement, on the right of the viewer, bears the arms of Bishop Grutka. The combing of this personal coat with that of the diocese on one shield, is the heraldic expression of the wedding of a bishop to the diocese he serves.

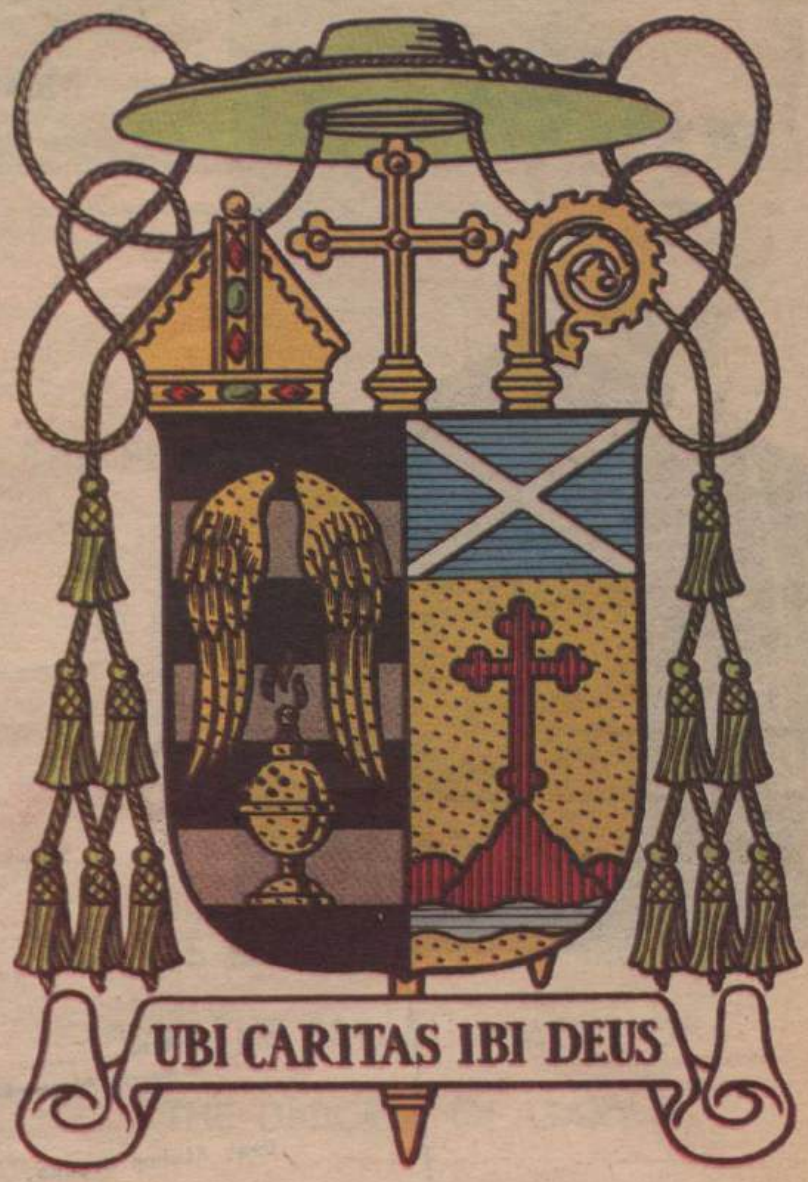
The central red hill at the base of the shield, in the Bishop's personal coat of arms, portrays the meaning of the name Grutka in the Slovak language — "a little mound of earth." The narrow wavy blue band commemorates the Little Danube River at Stara Ves (Old Tower) in Slovakia, where the mother and father of Bishop Grutka were born, as well as the Desplaines River at Joliet, Illinois, hallowed by the exploring canoe of the Jesuit Father Marquette, where Bishop Grutka was born, baptized and received his First Holy Communion. The two flatter hills at each side of the central peak represent the sand dunes of Gary where the Bishop was pastor of Holy Trinity church before his promotion as Bishop of the Diocese of Gary.

The botonny cross, derived from the arms of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, honors the Diocese where the Bishop labored as a priest, and records the See which gave both the territory of the new Diocese of Gary and its first Bishop to the Church. The color red for the cross and hills has been chosen as a recognition of the centuries of suffering and oppression which persecute the Slavs even to this day. The upper compartment of the Bishop's personal coat of arms is given to the cross of St. Andrew, the baptismal patron of Bishop Grutka.

The motto, **Ubi Caritas, Ibi Deus**, is translated: "Where there is love, there is God." The motto briefly expresses an ideal, a program of life, and the spirit of the one who selects it. Bishop Grutka's motto is taken from one of the Antiphon songs at the Washing of the Feet Ceremony on Holy Thursday, and is inspired by chapters, 2, 3 and 4 of the First Epistle of St. John.

The external ornaments are the green pontifical hat, with its six tassels on each side disposed in three rows, the mitre or bishop's hat, the processional cross and the crosier. These are the presently accepted symbols of a prelate of the rank of bishop.

The coats of arms of the Diocese of Gary and of its first Bishop were both executed by Mr. William F. J. Ryan of New York.



Our Jubilee Bishop

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United States Catholic Conference. The Bishop is chairman of the Subcommittee on Prison Reform of the USCC Committee for Social Development and World Peace.

The faithful of the Diocese joined in their prayers for Bishop Grutka on Sunday, December 2, 1973 on the 40th anniversary of the Bishop's ordination to the Priesthood. The day was officially designated as 'Bishop Grutka Sunday.'

Since November of 1972, Bishop Grutka has served as a member of the American Bishops' Committee on Social Development and World Peace.

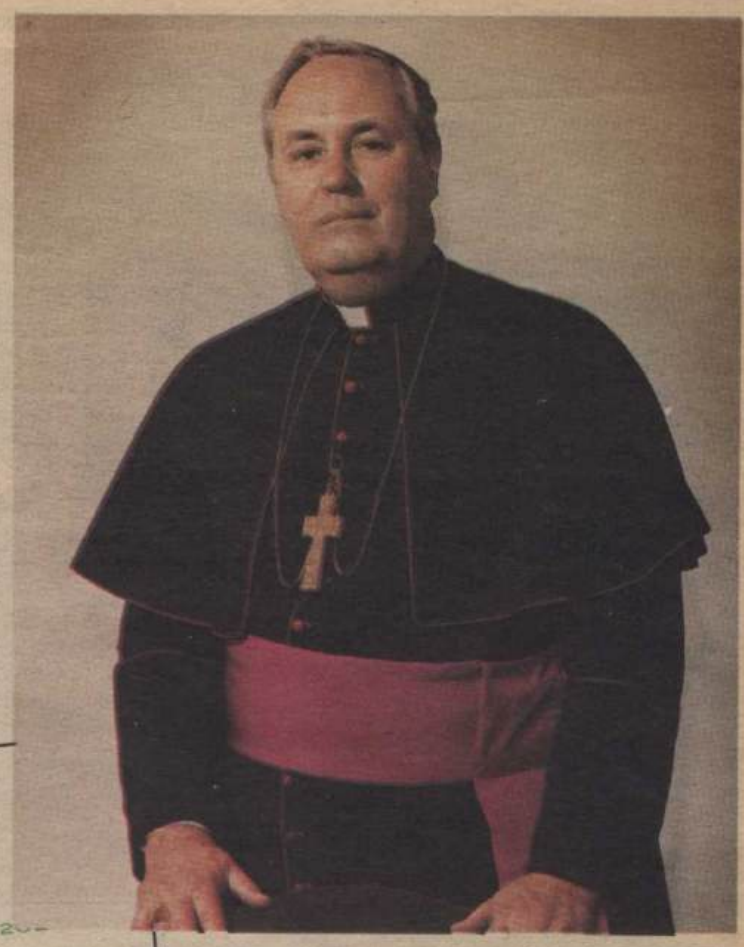
Always keenly interested in seminarians, the Bishop has promoted the training of qualified young men for the Priesthood in the Eternal City of Rome. He presently serves as the Treasurer of the North American College in Rome, his *alma mater*.

On Wednesday, November 20, 1974, Bishop Grutka left for a historic ten-day visit to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam. He went to Hanoi and other cities within that Country with four representatives of other religious bodies in the United States, including Bishop Paul Washburn, of the Methodist diocese in Northern Illinois. The five delegates were invited by North Vietnam's Committee for Solidarity with the American People. His insistence on meeting the Archbishop of Hanoi and other Vietnamese bishops and priests allowed some valuable insights into the state of religion and of the Catholic Church in that war devastated Country.

The clergy, religious and faithful of the Diocese gathered once again on February 20, 1977 in celebration of the 20th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese and of the consecration of its first spiritual shepherd, Bishop Grutka.

A Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated in the Cathedral of the Holy Angels marked the occasion. John Cardinal Cody, Archbishop of Chicago presided over the Mass, concelebrated by Bishop Grutka with tne visiting members of the hierarchy and 122 priests of the Diocese. Bishop Leo A. Pursley, former Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, and a long-time friend of Bishop Grutka gave the Homily.

Now the first shepherd of the Church in Gary begins his Jubilee Year of ministering to the spiritual needs of his flock — a flock that has grown considerably in numbers since the beginning days in 1957 — in this corner of the Lord's vineyard. AD MULTOS ANNOS!!



Most Reverend Edward T. O'Meara, S.T.D.
Archbishop of Indianapolis

Ordained Priest, December 21, 1946
Appointed National Director
of the Society for the Propagation
of the Faith in the United States, Dec. 28, 1966.
Named Titular Bishop of Thisiduo and Auxiliary
of St. Louis, January 28, 1972
Consecrated February 13, 1972
Appointed Archbishop of Indianapolis,
November 27, 1979
Installed, January 10, 1980

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February 5, 1982

Dear Friends in the Lord Jesus:

In the northwestern corner of the State of Indiana there is an area nearly 2000 square miles in extent, Lake, LaPorte, Porter and Starke Counties, dotted fairly evenly by over 150 churches and chapels, and over 60 institutions of instruction and service. This area is the Diocese of Gary.

But there's another point of view, another vision. It is of nearly 200,000 believing Roman Catholics, over 200 ordained priests and deacons, nearly 350 religious sisters and brothers, living by and witnessing to the Person and the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, united to Him and to one another in a visible and recognizable way through the presence and ministry of a member of the College of the Apostles, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka. This is the Church of Gary!

The Diocese of Gary, the Church of Gary, has been a reality now for twenty-five years. During the quarter century of its existence, it has grown from a struggling infancy to a strong and healthy maturity that has given it a position of stature and respect within the Catholic Church in the United States and indeed within the Church Universal as well. Its charter members have nurtured the faith among themselves as well as transmitted it to their progeny and to all others who would receive it. There has been a convincing and beautiful concern to meet the human needs of each other and the community at large through works of education, by care for the sick, the aged, the orphans, the handicapped, the prisoner, and the poor.

And from the beginning there has been Bishop Grutka, leading, smiling, praying, persuading, preaching, guiding. What joy there must be for him in this anniversary, so community-oriented and yet so intimately personal, because God who has begun the good work in your midst, has brought it to such fulness and completion. You who are the Church of Gary deserve to be informed by someone outside that your Bishop has brought all of you great distinction by the way he has discharged that part of his ministry which he owes to the rest of the Church and the world. His concern for our brothers and sisters in the Church of Silence in Eastern Europe, his compassion for the imprisoned, his pain at the plight of the poor everywhere, his fine mind and great heart, have brought him to the attention of Popes, and made him one of the most respected members of the College of Bishops.

Congratulations to Church and Bishop from all of us in Indiana, and remember, twenty-five years is only the beginning!

Devotedly yours in Our Lord,

+ Edward T. O'Meara

Most Rev. Edward T. O'Meara, S.T.D.
Archbishop of Indianapolis

Most Reverend Leo A. Pursley, D.D.
Former Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend

Ordained Priest,
June 11, 1927
Appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Fort Wayne,
July 22, 1950
Consecrated, September 19, 1950
Appointed Apostolic Administrator of Fort Wayne,
March 9, 1955
Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend,
December 29, 1956
Installed, February 26, 1957
Retired, October 19, 1976

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Dear Bishop Grutka:

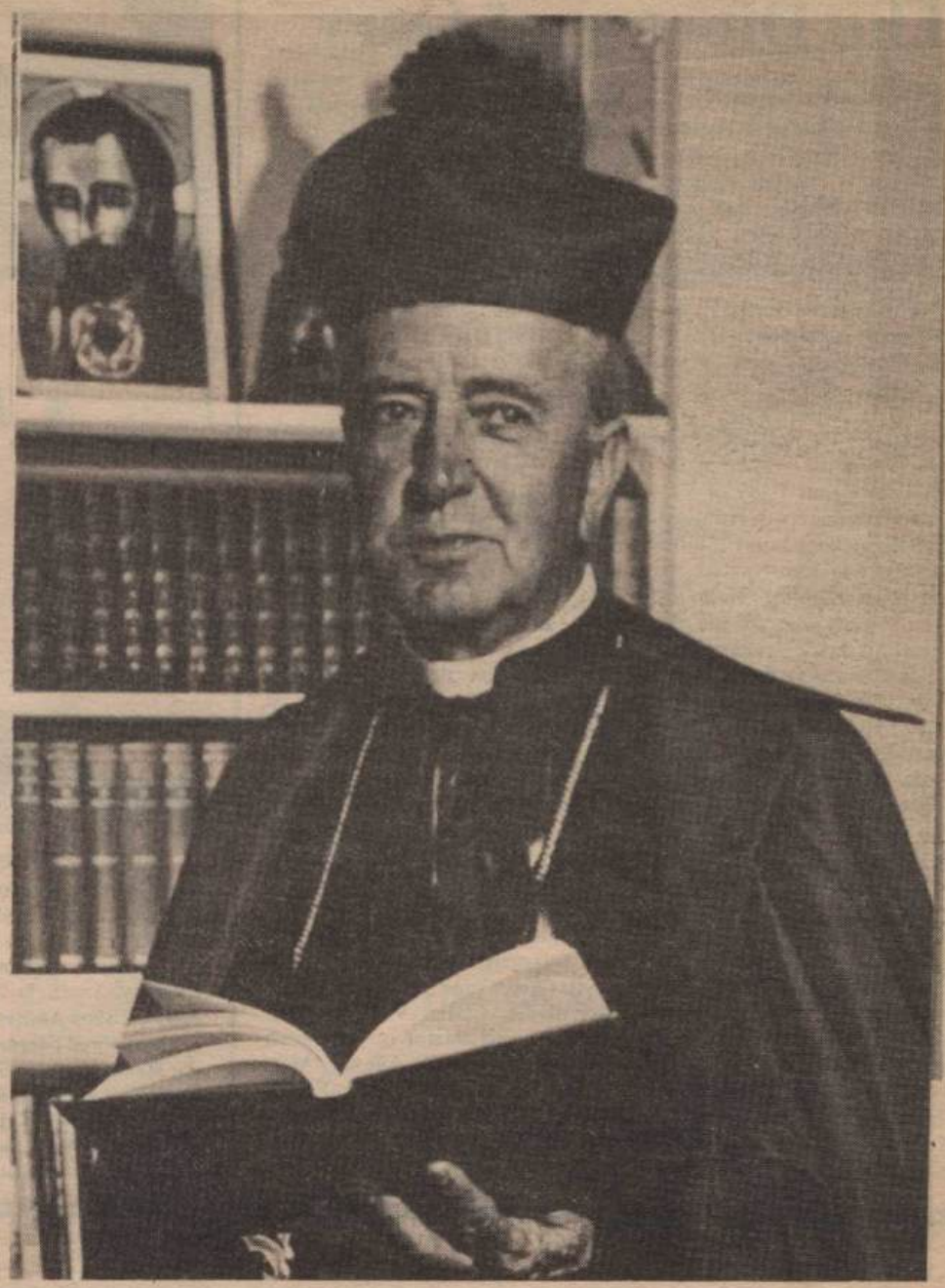
The purpose of this letter is to offer you my sincere congratulations on the twenty-fifth anniversary of your consecration and installation as the First Bishop of the Diocese of Gary. It is obvious that the celebration of these two highly significant events must be a shared experience. To congratulate means to rejoice with. A solitary celebration would be a sorry affair, a contradiction in terms. You know well why I am particularly pleased to have a part in this celebration.

For some reason rooted in our human nature we look for appropriate symbols of the more important realities of life; and custom has decreed that the accomplishments of twenty-five years be commemorated under the sign of a semiprecious metal called silver, as if mere length of time and the quality of a mineral substance could measure the value of what we do! Accepting the symbols, we are both aware that the present occasion brings you fairly close to the Golden Jubilee of your Priesthood. I pray that God will spare us to celebrate that anniversary together.

Meanwhile we look back on this quarter of a century in a spirit of thanksgiving to God, the Source of all blessings, including those which come to us through family, friends and fellow workers. We make no futile attempt to review and evaluate all that has happened during this very critical period in the history of the Church we love and serve. As for the future, we look ahead with hope in our hearts and say with Lacordaire: "All I know of tomorrow is that Divine Providence will rise before the morning sun," Nature's silent steadfast symbol of the Eternal Sun of Justice. May the Light of His Face shine upon you now and forever.

Fraternally and devotedly in Christ,

+ Leo A. Pursley



Most Reverend Paul C. Schulte, D.D.
Former Archbishop of Indianapolis

Ordained, June 11, 1915
Consecrated, Sept. 21, 1937
Appointed Archbishop of Indianapolis, July 20, 1946
Installed, October 10, 1946
Retired, January 14, 1970

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cause of duplication of titles, its name was changed to **Our Lady of Consolation** and its present Pastor is Father Louis B. Wozniak who has served there since September 30, 1970.

The name of Father Alvin J. Jasinski would occur in history again on July 7, 1949 when Bishop Noll appointed him the first Pastor of **Our Lady of Grace Parish in Highland.** Monsignor Jasinski died as Pastor of Saint Mark Parish on January 14, 1969. The present Pastor of Our Lady of Grace, Highland, Father Albert H. Van Nevel went there on April 30, 1963. He is presently assisted by Fathers Richard A. Orlinski and Mark S. Pavlina. To Father Van Nevel goes the credit for the construction of the new Church, which has the largest seating capacity of all the churches in Lake County, along with a new rectory for the priests and Sisters' Convent.

Returning to 1947, specifically July 8th, history records the appointment, by Bishop John F. Noll of Father Louis S. Madejczyk to establish **Blessed Sacrament Parish in Gary.** Father Madejczyk was assistant at Saint Hedwig Parish at the time. the entire parish plant at Blessed Sacrament has been built during his pastoral ministry which continues to the present moment.

On the same day that Father Madejczyk was assigned to begin Blessed Sacrament Parish, Monsignor Everard N. Klein became the Pastor of **Saint Margaret Mary Parish in Hammond.** Thus Bishop John Francis Noll authorized the formation of the new parish in the vicinity of Bishop Noll High School. The first Mass was offered on Sunday, September 21, 1947 in a classroom located in the high school gymnasium building. This converted classroom plus the gymnasium proper served for parish worship until the cornerstone for a new church was laid by Auxiliary Bishop, Leo A. Pursley, on July 15, 1951. The first Mass to be celebrated in the present Saint Margaret Mary Church was on Sunday, August 24, 1952 and Bishop John Francis Noll presided at the dedication Mass celebrated on Sunday, September 21, 1952. Presently, Father Joseph V. Murphy is the Pastor at Saint Margaret Mary and Father Patrick J. Connolly, Principal of Bishop Noll Institute, is in residence there.

When Bishop Noll established **Saint Anthony Parish** at **Fish Lake,** Catholics in that territory in 1948, were provided their own pastoral service. Their present Pastor is Father Julian I. Jercha.

In 1950, in **Michigan City,** Bishop John F. Noll granted permission for the last parish he would establish. That Parish is **Queen of All Saints** whose present Pastor is Father Alfred J. Dettmer and is assisted by Father Henry A. Lazarek. The first Pastor of Queen of All Saints, appointed April 20, 1951, was Father Leonard J. Cross who retired in February of 1970 and presently resides at Saint Anthony Home in Crown Point.

BISHOP LEO A. PURSLEY

At the time he was nominated Titular Bishop of Hadrianopolis and Auxiliary Bishop of Fort Wayne on July 22, 1950, Father Leo A. Pursley was the Pastor of Saint John the Baptist Church in Fort Wayne. He continued in that position for some time after his consecration in the Cathedral in Fort Wayne on September 19, 1950. Bishop Leo A. Pursley was consecrated by Amleto Giovanni (later Cardinal) Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate in the United States, with Bishop John Francis Noll, fifth Bishop of Fort Wayne and Bishop Joseph Marling, C.PP.S., Auxiliary Bishop of Kansas City, Missouri, as co-consecrators.

The growing illness of Bishop John Francis Noll, caused the Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, to make other provisions for the government of the Diocese of Fort Wayne. His Auxiliary Bishop, Leo A. Pursley, became the Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Fort Wayne on March 9, 1955. In effect, this granted Bishop Pursley all the authority he would need for making decisions demanding episcopal sanction. So, brief as that time was, four new parishes were commenced in what was still a part of the Diocese of Fort Wayne and now a part of the Diocese of Gary.

In 1953, the area of **Michigan City** known as **Long Beach,** welcomed **Notre Dame Parish** there. Its first Pastor, Father James A. Stapleton, appointed on June 10, 1953, died in retirement on October 26, 1981 in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The present Pastor at Notre Dame is Monsignor F. J. Melevage.

The same year of 1953 a new parish was established in **Kingsford Heights,** Indiana dedicated to the **Immaculate Heart of Mary.** Bishop Leo A. Pursley gave the first pastoral charge of this Parish to Father Theodore V. Fettig on August 8, 1955. Father Fettig retired from this responsibility on September 8, 1974 and joined Father Leonard A. Cross at Saint Anthony Home in Crown Point, where he is, today. The present Pastor in Kingsford Heights is Father Chester P. Zurawiec.

The eventful year — 1956 — which would see the establishment of the Diocese of Gary, still required the administrative attention of His Excellency, Bishop Leo A. Pursley, from Fort Wayne. Two parishes were founded that year and history is not altogether clear which foundation was accomplished first. In any event on June 8, 1956 Bishop Leo A. Pursley appointed Father Dominic A. Pallone to form a new parish in the Hessville district of **Hammond,** while Father Pallone was still assisting at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, there. The new parish was to be called **Saint Catherine of Siena** and Father Pallone retains the pastorate, presently, assisted by Father Theodore A. Nordquist.

The area on Lake Michigan known as **Beverly Shores** was formed into **Saint Ann Parish** on or about July 3, 1956, when its boundaries were approved by Bishop Leo A. Pursley after prior consultation with Monsignor Edward H. Vurpillat, then Pastor of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception Parish in Michigan City; Father Ralph G. Hoffmann, then Pastor of Saint Patrick Parish in Chesterton, and Father Joseph A. Klinker, who was to become the first Pastor of Saint Ann Parish, Beverly Shores. Its present Pastor is Father Charles E. Doyle.

Another papal tribute came to the fifth Bishop of Fort Wayne, when on September 2, 1953, His Holiness, Pope Pius XII, promoted him to the rank of Archbishop *"ad personam."* Archbishop Noll's health deteriorated after suffering a stroke making it necessary for him to be hospitalized for a short time in Saint Joseph at Fort Wayne.

Archbishop John Francis Noll returned to his home at 1415 West Washington Boulevard, Fort Wayne, where he died at approximately 9:00 o'clock in the morning of July 31, 1956.

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Monsignor Charles J. Feltes, who was Chancellor of the Diocese of Fort Wayne at the time, quickly mentioned to Bishop Leo A. Pursley that Archbishop John Francis Noll had left no burial instructions, except an indication that he did not wish to be buried in the Cathedral crypt at Fort Wayne.

After consultation with Cecilia Fink and other relatives of Archbishop Noll, a determination was made to entomb the remains of the fifth Bishop of Fort Wayne at the Motherhouse of Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters in Huntington. Over the Archbishop's tomb a marble slab was constructed, so that Holy Mass might be celebrated at his tomb each year on the anniversary of his death — July 31.

The first priest to be ordained by Bishop Noll, on May 29, 1926 — Charles J. Feltes — would survive to be his last Chancellor.

Those who like to mark dates can observe that Pope Pius XII issued **two documents from the Vatican on December 29, 1956.** One document appointed Monsignor **Andrew G. Grutka, the first Bishop of the Diocese of Gary.** The second document appointed Apostolic Administrator, **Leo A. Pursley, the sixth Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne.** Two lives, those of Bishops Grutka and Pursley, were so significantly to be intertwined thereafter, as to leave no coincidence to the beautiful relationship of sincere friendship which endures between these two devoted successors in the apostolic college of bishops.

BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA

The biographical details of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka are noted elsewhere in this **special Silver Jubilee edition** of the GARY SUNDAY VISITOR. To continue the historical sketch of parochial foundations in Northwestern Indiana, the following should be noted:

The first parish officially established by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, in the new Diocese of Gary, was appropriately dedicated to the Mystery of the **Nativity of Our Savior, in Portage.** Monsignor John J. Charlebois was given the honor of establishing this first parish, and he was appointed its administrator on February 1, 1964. Nativity Parish received its first Pastor with the appointment of Father Joseph E. Till on July 1, 1964. The current Pastor is Father Carl F. Mengeling, S.T.D., who is assisted by Father Stephen J. Titko and Deacon Terrence J. Steffens.

On August 28, 1964, Bishop Grutka assigned Father William E. Vogt the task of organizing a new parish largely from the territory of Saints Peter and Paul Parish in Merrillville. Father Vogt thus became the first Pastor of the Parish of **Saint Andrew the Apostle, Merrillville,** on March 5, 1965. Father Emil E. Bloch, the present Pastor, was assigned on July 12, 1977. Fa-

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JUBILARIANS — Seven priests of the Diocese of Gary, along with fellow priests from the Fort Wayne-South Bend Diocese observed the anniversaries of their ordination to the priesthood at a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated on April 25, 1978 at St. John the Baptist Church in Whiting. Pictured (l. to r.) are: Rev. John A. Vrabely, Pastor, St. Mary of the Annunciation Church, Bristol, Ind.; Rev. Anthony Molnar, Chaplain at St. Margaret Hospital, Hammond; Rev. John A. Halo, Pastor, Assumption Parish, East Chicago; Bishop Joseph R. Crowley, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, jubilarian and principal celebrant of the Mass; Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, who presided at the Mass and was the homilist; Rev. Msgr. Michael A. Campagna, retired Director of Hoosier Boys' Town; Rev. Paschal Grigus, O.F.M., St. Stanislaus Parish, East Chicago; Rev. Joseph F. Semancik, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, East Chicago and Diocese of Gary Director of Catholic Charities; Rev. Edward Narcowich, Pastor, St. Jude Parish, South Bend, and Rev. Charles E. Doyle, Pastor, St. Ann of the Dunes Parish, Beverly Shores. Jubilarian Rev. George M. Vrabely, Pastor of St. Peter Parish in LaPorte, was not present for the picture.

SS. Cyril & Methodius Parish
North Judson, Indiana

HAVING COMMEMORATED OUR CENTENNIAL ONLY A FEW MONTHS AGO,
WE TAKE THIS PRIVILEGED OCCASION TO CONVEY TO OUR BISHOP
THE MOST REVEREND ANDREW G. GRUTKA, D.D.
OUR SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS AND OUR DEEP APPRECIATION
ON HIS TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY AS OUR BISHOP

Blessed as we have been to have had His Excellence as our spiritual leader for one quarter of our 100 years as a parish, we fervently pray that God will bless him abundantly and in every way.

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ther John N. Beckmann lent his priestly support to this parish foundation. Father Beckmann retired on August 16, 1971 from the pastorate of Saints Peter and Paul, Merrillville, and lives now with his sister in Sarasota, Florida.

On September 14, 1966, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, commissioned Father John J. Strebig, Assistant at Saint Mary Parish in Crown Point, to organize a new parish in that area. Father Strebig succeeded well in this assignment and was appointed first Pastor of the new **Saint Matthias Parish in Crown Point** on January 8, 1967. Plans for a new Church have been approved and construction contracts were signed on February 15, 1982 by Bishop Grutka.

Father Eugene C. Hoffman was commissioned to establish **Saint James Parish in the Highland-Griffith** area on June 29, 1967, remaining there until the appointment of Saint James Parish's second Pastor, Father Francis M. Lazar on March 3, 1970. Father Eugene C. Hoffman died as Pastor of Saints Peter and Paul Parish, Merrillville, on January 11, 1980. Father Lazar continues as Pastor, at Saint James ably assisted by Father Joseph Ivans Varakukalayil, C.M.I.

After consultation with Monsignor John J. Charlebois, Pastor of Saint Paul Parish in Valparaiso, and Father Joseph E. Till, who then was Pastor of Nativity of Our Savior Parish, Portage, boundaries were established and a parish created on Sunday, October 1, 1967 for the Catholics in the South Haven area. Their spiritual care was entrusted to the Franciscan Fathers at the Seven Dolors Shrine, in **Valparaiso.** The new Parish was named **Our Lady of Sorrows** and the Guardian of the Friary, Father Joseph Portasik, O.F.M., became its first Pastor. Another member of the Order of Friars Minor, Custody of the Holy Savior, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Father Damian Cesanek, O.F.M., is the Pastor there today, having been appointed, by Bishop Grukta, on February 19, 1980.

Father Alfred J. Dettmer, presently Pastor of Queen of All Saints Parish in Michigan City, was commissioned by Bishop Grutka on July 30, 1968 to found **Saint Joan of Arc Parish, Merrillville,** where Father Gerald A. Sroka now is Pastor, since his appointment on November 16, 1976.

Father Lawrence M. Heeg assumed the first pastorate of **Saint Stephen Martyr Parish, in Merrillville,** which he was commissioned to found on July 30, 1968. Father Heeg constructed the present buildings there and served that flock until his assignment to Chesterton. Father Bernard F. Shank has been Saint Stephen Martyr Pastor since June 28, 1979.

An Associate Pastor at Saint Thomas More, in Munster, Father Richard H. Ameling was commissioned to organize another parish in the Dyer-Munster area on January 18, 1977. The new Church is dedicated to Saint Maria Goretti,

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ST. CATHERINE HOSPITAL of East Chicago, Indiana

Proudly Acknowledges the Most Reverend
ANDREW G. GRUTKA, D.D.
as a Former Faculty Member of St. Catherine Hospital School of Nursing

WE HEARTILY CONGRATULATE THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF GARY AND BISHOP ANDREW GRUTKA ON THEIR SILVER JUBILEE ANNIVERSARIES

"Well done, good and faithful servant."

Matt. 25:21

We are pleased to join in messages of Sincere Congratulations and Prayerful Best Wishes on the Silver Jubilee of the Diocese of Gary and of our Bishop,

The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.

St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Fish Lake
0204 West State Road 4
Walkerton, IN 46574
Rev. Julian I. Jercha, *Pastor*

TO THE DIOCESE OF GARY

AND THE MOST REVEREND

BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA

SINCERE BEST WISHES

from Priests, Sisters and Parishioners

of St. Joseph the Worker (Croatian) Parish

Gary, Indiana

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January 27, 1982

His Excellency
The Most Reverend
Andrew Grutka, D.D.
Bishop of Gary
P.O. M-474
Gary, Indiana 46402

Your Excellency, Bishop Grutka,

Warmest regards on the celebration Sunday, February 21, 1982, of your 25th anniversary as Bishop of the Diocese of Gary.

This double celebration of your consecration as Bishop and the creation of the Diocese itself is a special tribute not only to you, but to the many parishes in your Diocese.

Your presence and leadership has inspired faith and a Christian spirit in all who have been fortunate enough to celebrate their beliefs under your guidance.

I recall the moving prayer you delivered last October 14 on the floor of the United State Senate. You asked Our Heavenly Father to "bring us all closer together in a spirit of disarming harmony." You prayed that the imbalance of our times be corrected with "incentives, examples and stabilizations, rather than more regulations." You asked our Lord to give us in the Senate "the patience, prudence and perseverance to bring about this equilibrium."

From meeting you, I learned you have already received this blessing, and have passed it on to all around you with Christian love. This is the glory of your works these past years.

Congratulations on your and your Diocese's first 25 years.

Sincerely,

Richard Lugar

Richard G. Lugar
United States Senator

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is writing a history for God. SO
WRITE IT WELL!

Journey to Jubilee

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Presentation of the annual Catholic Youth Awards took place Sunday, February 26 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka presented the awards at the 3:30 p.m. ceremony. Awards presented included the Ad Altare Dei Award, the Parvuli Dei Award, the Pope Pius XII Award, and the Saint George Award to Catholic Boy Scouts.

Girl Scout and Youth Awards included the Puella Maria Award, the Marian Award and the Saint Anne Award.

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The Monsignor Connelly Council No. 1700, Knights of Columbus of East Chicago presented the first annual payment from the Bishop Noll Trust Fund to Father Patrick Connolly, Principal of Bishop Noll Institute at a special dinner meeting held at the Woodmar Country Club in Hammond.

The irrevocable trust in the principal amount of $150,000 will provide Bishop Noll with an annual endowment from the earnings of the principal. The first payment from earnings of $23,100 accrued during the past four years was presented to Father Connolly by Mr. Anthony Mrvan, President of the Columbian Club, affiliated with Monsignor Connelly Council.

March

Mr. Michael Gondell of St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Gary was elected as the new President of the Diocesan Pastoral Council at its first meeting of the new year.

Mrs. Raymond Klodzen of Blessed Sacrament Parish in Gary was re-elected as Secretary.

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A concelebrated Mass on St. Patrick's day and a dinner-dance constituted the closing events of the 75th anniversary celebration of St. Patrick Parish in East Chicago.

The Mass of Thanksgiving on Friday, March 17 brought together priests who served the parish, priests of the area, school alumni, and present and former members of the parish.

St. Patrick Parish was established on May 24, 1902 with Rev. Thomas Mungovan as the first Pastor. Rev. Philip Fusco is the present Pastor.

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A Merrillville physician was presented with the 1978 Shamrock Award of the Friendly Sons of Erin at the organization's annual St. Patrick's Day observance held Tuesday, March 14 at the Wicker Park Social Center in Highland.

Doctor John T. Scully, recipient of the annual award was cited for "His devoted services to the community as a physician, and as an outstanding Catholic who richly deserves this recognition from his fellow Sons of Erin."

Also on the evening's program was the presentation of the John F. Kennedy Memorial Award. This year's award went to the Northwest Indiana Catholic Youth Organization, and was presented in memory

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"You are the Body of Christ and individually members of It. So, if you are the Body of Christ and the members thereof, then it is your own mystery which lies on the altar of the Lord; it is the mystery of yourselves which you receive. You reply *'Amen'* to what you are; by that reply you confirm this fact. For when on receiving the Body you hear 'The Body of Christ,' you answer *'Amen.'* Therefore, you must really be a member of the Body of Christ so that your *Amen* may be true."

— St. Augustine (PL38, 1246-8).

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Virgin and Martyr. Father Ameling was officially appointed its first Pastor on June 5, 1977.

Monsignor Edward F. Litot, Pastor of Saint Joseph Parish in Dyer, welcomed the division of his parish and assisted Father Ameling with Saint Maria Goretti's foundation. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka solemnly dedicated its new Church on the Fourth Sunday in Advent, December 20, 1981, celebrating Holy Mass for the very first time on its newly blessed Altar of Sacrifice.

The privilege of being the youngest daughter of the local Church at Gary, as the Diocese celebrates the Silver Jubilee of its foundation, goes to **Saint Elizabeth Seton Parish** in **Valparaiso.** Father John J. Savior was appointed its first Pastor on February 1, 1978. Masses since then have been celebrated at Lake Eliza, however, a new building is partially complete and should be ready for dedication to religious worship in the Spring of 1982.

IN SUMMARY, as the Diocese of Gary looks back over the past twenty-five years, two new hospitals have been built and seven have been expanded. The Catholic community has grown, literally forcing the Bishop to establish nine new parishes, construct nineteen new churches, fourteen new rectories, seven elementary schools, one completely new high school (Andrean in Merrillville), and totally renovate and expand Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond. Marquette High School in Michigan City continues to benefit from the devoted concern of Bishop Grutka.

It would be beyond the scope of this outline of the parochial foundations of what is now the Church at Gary to present a complete listing of the accomplishments, even of the past twenty-five years, of our beloved and first Bishop, Andrew G. Grutka. Our attempts cannot approach a full account of all that he has done for the Church. His concern for others radiates in every message he addresses to our priests and people. Soon after Bishop Grutka became our Shepherd, and thereafter at various clergy conferences, the authors recall different programs, projects, many of which some, underestimating the Bishop, deemed unrealistic. To his credit, every one of them has become a reality.

Let no one dare say that the Catholic Church does not adapt to the exigencies of the times. The history of the development of our Church in the United States, even though focused on Indiana, proves incontrovertibly, we feel, the responsive attitude of its popes, bishops, priests, sisters, brothers and laity. Responsive to linguistic needs of emigrant people and sensitive to adapt to the ethnic, cultural, racial, educational and social differences, the Church truly recognizes the admirable mosaic of people She seeks unfalteringly to lead to God.

We began this brief and sketch-like history of the Church at Gary with a prologue. Permit us to close with its counterpart.

EPILOGUE

God wrote the First History of Christianity and He wrote for everyone of us. Each day of our lives we are writing a part of another history, by the way we live. Each of us is writing a history for God. SO WRITE IT WELL!

Congratulations to the Diocese and to Our Bishop on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee

— from the Pastor and Parishioners of Saint John Kanty Parish Rolling Prairie, Indiana

CONGRATULATIONS
and God's Continued Blessings to Our Bishop and also the Diocese of Gary on their 25th Anniversary

— Pastor and Parishioners of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish

The Advisory Board, Students, Staff
and
the Brothers of Holy Cross
of
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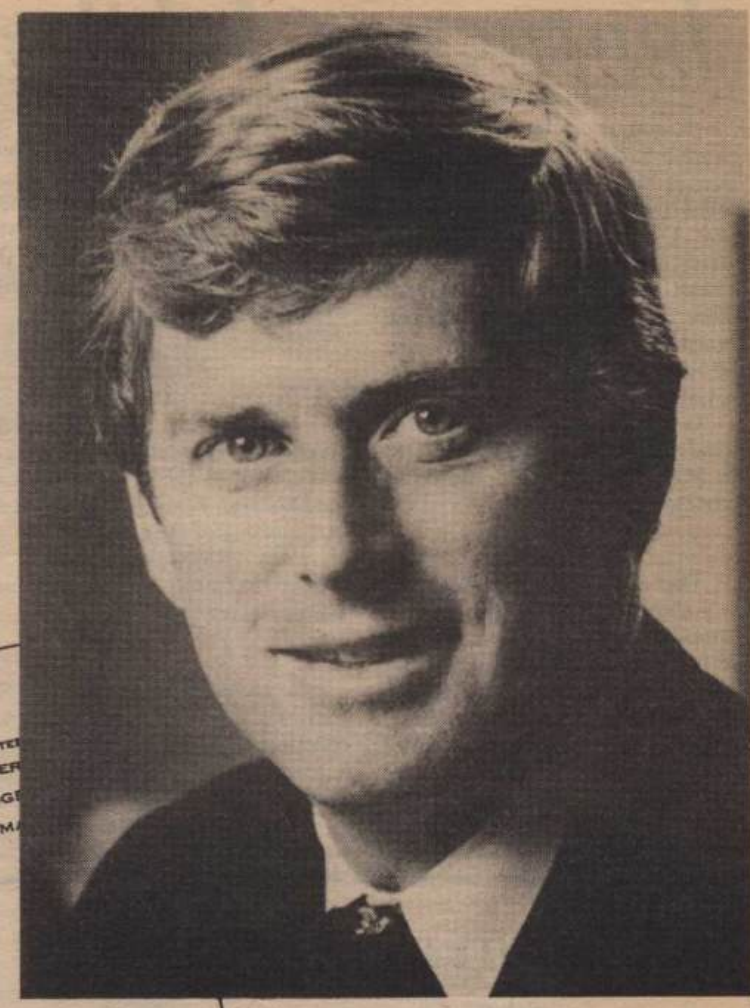
Salute the Diocese of Gary
and the
Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
on their Silver Jubilee

Dan Quayle
United States Senator



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February 2, 1982

His Excellency
The Most Reverend
Andrew Grutka
Bishop of Gary
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Your Excellency:

It is my pleasure to write and extend to you and to the Catholic community of Northwest Indiana my heartiest congratulations as you celebrate the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Gary Diocese.

As a good shepherd of the faithful your flock has grown strong under your wise care. You have guided the Diocese through changing times with love and understanding. Your firm and stable leadership has built a strong foundation which will endure throughout a bright future.

Let me again take this opportunity to congratulate you on the 25th anniversary of your consecration as Bishop and on the 25th anniversary of the Diocese and also to wish you all of God's blessings in the days ahead.

Sincerely,

Dan Quayle
U.S. Senator

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Journey to Jubilee

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of Mr. Mark S. Furman, former CYO Director who was slain earlier this year, the victim of a tragic shooting incident. Father William L. Martin, CYO Executive Director, accepted the award, giving in appreciation of the organization's "instilling in the minds and hearts of Catholic youths, a true love of God and Country."

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Funeral services were held Friday, March 10 for Rev. Phillip Robenalt, S.C.J., Assistant Pastor at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in East Chicago.

Fahter Robenalt died Tuesday, March 7 at Billings Hospital in Chicago. He was 34.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of the funeral Mass.

Father Robenalt entered the Congregation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in 1964. He was ordained to the priesthood on November 28, 1974 at Hales Corners, Wisconsin. All of his career as a priest was served at Our Lady of Guadalupe.

April

The 1978 graduates of the Calumet College Institute of Religin were honored on Sunday, April 23, designated as Diocesan Catechetical Sunday.

The day's program, held at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels Parish in Gary began with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Grutka at 3:30 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner in the Holy Angels cafeteria.

Father James T. Burtchaell, C.S.C. Provost of the University of Notre Dame was the featured speaker at 6:15 p.m., followed by the presentation of permits and certificates to the graduates by Bishop Gutka and Father James McCabe, C.PP.S., President of Calumet College.

The Institute of Religion involves workshops and classroom programs and is designed to help prepare religion instructors for the Diocese.

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Michael Chelap of Merrillville has been named as the new Director of the Northwest Indiana Catholic Youth Organization, according to an announcement from Mary Ann Nickoloff, President of the CYO Board of Directors. Chelap fills the vacancy left by the untimely death of Mark Furman, who was slain earlier this year.

Born in Gary, Chelap attended St. Mark grade school and Andrean High School. He earned a bachelor of science degree from the University of Windsor, Ontario, and a Masters degree in education from Indiana University. Since 1969, Chelap has been a teacher at Andrean.

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Seven priests of the Diocese of Gary celebrated the anniversaries of their ordination to the priesthood with a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated on Tuesday, April 25 at St. John the Baptist Church in Whiting.

Rev. Msgr. Michael A. Campagna, retired former Director of Hoosier Boys' Town in Schererville marked his fiftieth year as a priest. Silver Jubilarians, observing their 25th anniversary included: Rev. Charles E. Doyle, Pastor of St. Ann of the Dunes Parish, Beverly Shores; Rev. Pascal Grigus, OFM, Assistant at St. Stanislaus Parish, East Chicago; Rev. John A. Halo, Pastor of Assumption Parish, East Chicago; Rev. Anthony Molnar, Chaplain, St. Margaret Hospital, Hammond; Rev. Joseph F. Semancik, Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in East Chicago and Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities and Catholic Family Service; and Rev. George M. Vrabely, Pastor of St. Peter Parish in LaPorte.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka presided at the Mass and delivered the Homily. Principal celebrant was Bishop Joseph R. Crowley, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. Bishop Crowley is also observing his twenty fifth anniversary in the priesthood.

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Two Sisters of Saint Francis serving at Saint Margaret Hospital in Hammond celebrated their Golden Anniversaries in the religious live in April.

Sister M. Alfredilla Hubertz and Sister M. Huberta Kiefer were honored at a Mass and Jubilee celebration at the hospital on April 1. Sister Alfredilla is laundry manager at the hospital, and Sister Huberta presently holds the position of Coordinator of Education Research and Program Analysis.

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Father John M. Lefko, C.PP.S., President Emeritus of Calumet College in Hammond celebrated the 40th anniversary of his ordination on Sunday, April 30.

Father Lefko celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. John

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SLOVAK DAY — Bishop Andrew G. Grutka places a commemorative floral wreath on the grave of Monsignor C. M. Milinarovich, noted Slovak priest who died in 1971 at the age of 83. The ceremony was part of the activities at the 1977 'Slovak Day' at the Seven Dolors Shrine in Valparaiso. With the Bishop are Rev. Edward C. Homco, C.PP.S., Pastor of St. John the Baptist Parish in Whiting (far left), and Rev. Joseph J. Viater, pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, Gary.

On the Occasion of Your
Silver Episcopal Jubilee and that of Our
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Deep Gratitude for Your Leadership.

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Specifically Than Others, and for That
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February 5, 1982

Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
Bishop, Diocese of Gary
Gary, Indiana

Your Excellency:

It is my pleasure to congratulate you and the Diocese of Gary on the 25th Anniversary of its erection and your consecration as its first Ordinary.

The celebration, marked by a Holy Mass of Thanksgiving, is an event for all members of the Diocese and clearly marks a milestone in the career of a man who has worked to benefit the body, mind and spirit of all persons.

Your involvement with the Association of Catholic Trade Unionists and the Urban League has demonstrated a genuine concern for bringing justice to an economic system that may otherwise exclude some Americans from its promise of dignity.

You have molded the minds of the young through ceaseless efforts to provide educational excellence at the primary, secondary and collegiate levels. You have reached beyond national boundaries to have the Institute of Saints Cyril and Methodius built in Rome for religious to take the light to the oppressed worldwide.

Our spirit has been touched by your humble toil on behalf of the most forgotten - prisoners and others who might suffer persecution.

Whether illuminating the philosophical underpinnings of current theological thought or planning for the future, you have been an inspirational Renaissance man among us - focusing our attention on the positive side of the human race - the side that is gentle, caring and loving.

On this occassion I extend to you and the people of the Diocese, my very best wishes for your continued success in bringing our world closer to the ideal set by the Almighty.

Yours in peace,

Adam Benjamin Jr.

Adam Benjamin Jr.
Member of Congress

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Twenty Five Years of Charity in the
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The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
Bishop of Gary
P.O. Box M474
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Your Excellency:

This is to convey my very best wishes to the Diocese of Gary, and my profound congratulations to you personally, with the advent of the dual anniversaries marking the founding of the Diocese and your consecration as Bishop.

I look forward to my future association with you and with the Diocese of Gary which now encompasses a portion of the 5th Congressional District. Through some of my early contacts in Lake and Porter Counties I have learned of the successes of the Diocese in providing God-centered education in more than 40 schools, and of your own vigorous leadership in spiritual matters and the civic life of the community.

The dual celebration which will be marked with the Holy Mass of Thanksgiving later this month is indeed a proper climax and a proper recognition, in the commemorating of these two anniversaries.

With very best wishes in all of your future endeavors, I remain

Sincerely,

Bud Hillis

Elwood H. "Bud" Hillis
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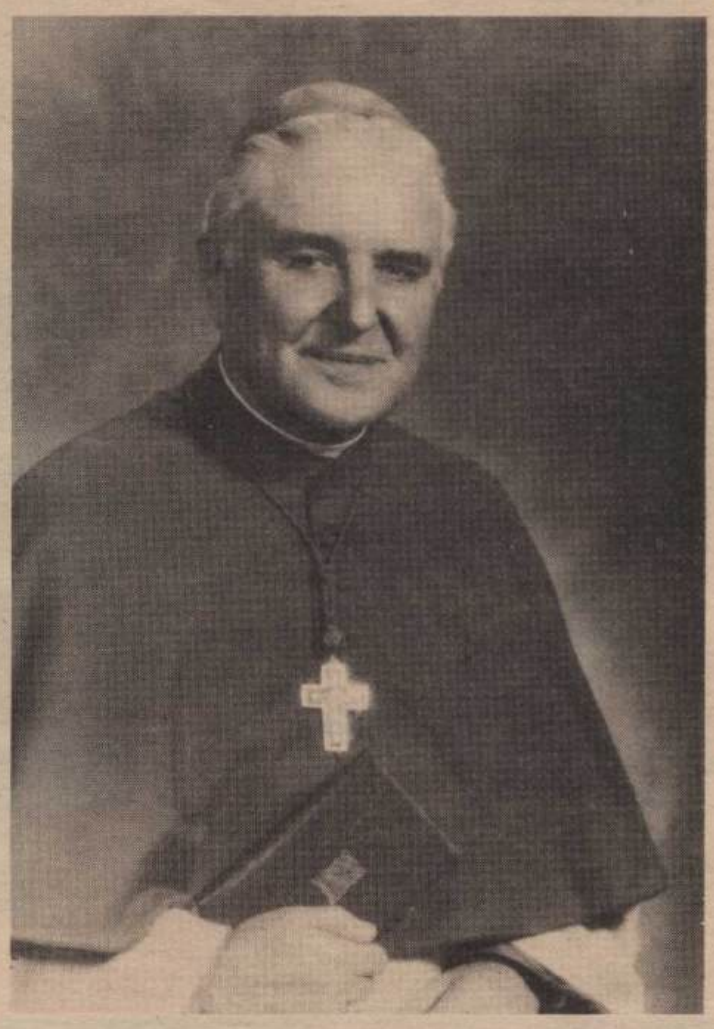
From One Good Neighbor To Another



Our Warmest Congratulations
to His Excellency
The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
on his 25th Anniversary as
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and to all our Catholic Friends in
the Diocese on the Establishment
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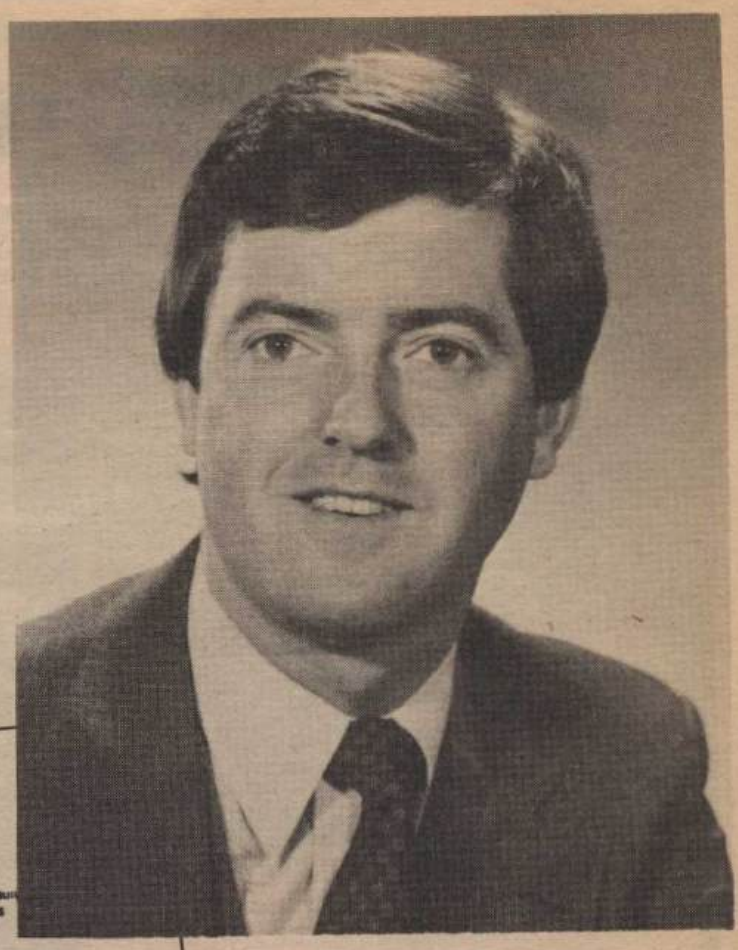

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February 1, 1982

His Excellency
The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka
Bishop of Gary
P. O. Box M474
Gary, Indiana 46401

Dear Bishop Grutka:

Please accept my sincere congratulations on the Silver Jubilee of the Gary Diocese, and your 25-year association with it.

As a Catholic from LaPorte County, it has been an honor to be associated with the many good works of the Gary Diocese. Your service and dedication also are well known outside the Diocese's four-county borders.

I am very pleased and impressed with the planning for the February 21st celebration, and am sure it will be an outstanding and very successful event.

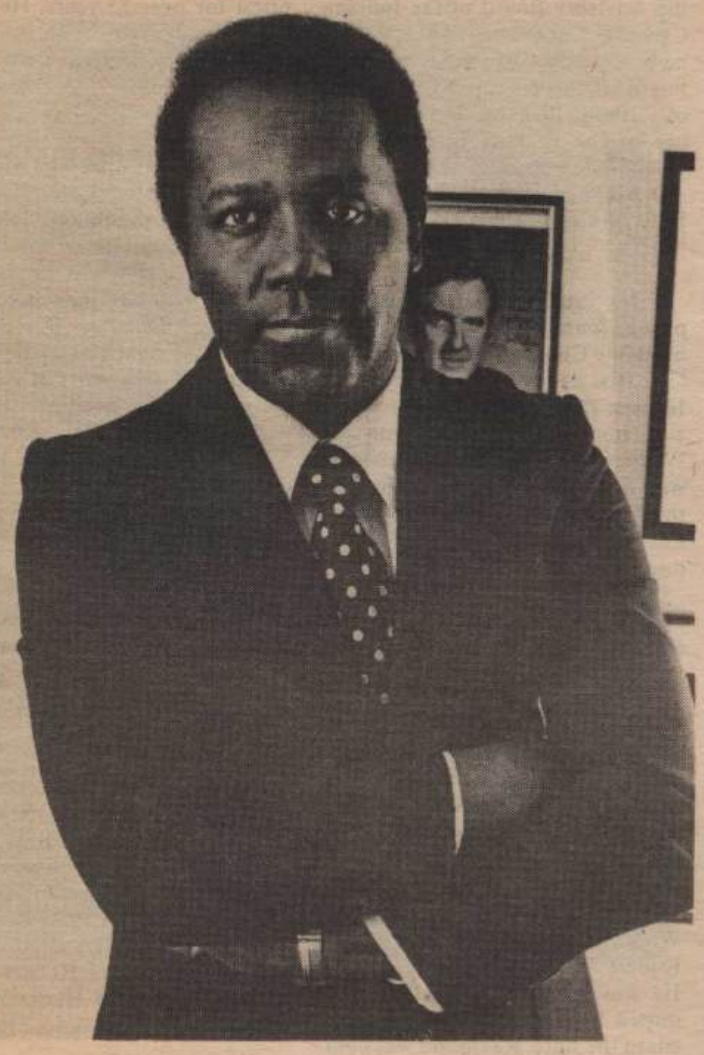
Again, congratulations, and very best wishes for your continued health, happiness, and Diocese's success.

Sincerely,

JOHN HILER
Member of Congress

JH/kj

Richard Gordon Hatcher
Mayor of Gary
And Host of the Genesis Convention Center



RICHARD GORDON HATCHER
MAYOR

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
GARY, INDIANA

February 1, 1982

His Excellency
The Most Reverend
Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
Bishop of Gary
668 Pierce Street
Gary, Indiana 46402

Your Excellency:

I send my warmest congratulations on the observance of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of your Consecration as Bishop of Gary.

You are blessed with an irrepressible spirit and a dynamic energy transmitting your powers to others. This is proved by the fact that the Catholic Diocese of Gary has greatly expanded and flourished during your capable leadership.

It is not the years that count but the service rendered and the accomplishments that indicate our usefulness to society. The years since 1957 have been bountiful.

May you continue to enjoy splendid spiritual growth so that you may render even greater service.

Sincerely,

Richard Gordon Hatcher
Mayor, City of Gary

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Robert A. Pastrick
MAYOR

The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka
Bishop of the Gary Diocese
Gary, Indiana 46409

Dear Bishop Grutka:

It is a privilege to extend congratulations on this Dual Jubilee celebration commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the Diocese of Gary and your consecration as its first Ordinary.

As children, we were taught that a Bishop is a successor to the Apostles of Jesus Christ. Like the Apostles, a Bishop teaches the Doctrine which Christ taught, transmitting that Doctrine to future generations while guiding the spiritual lives of those entrusted to his care. You have been outstanding in following the traditional role of one who--with all Bishops of the Roman Catholic Church--share a lineage which connects them to the duties of one or another of the Apostles.

Further, we in your Diocese know that your performance as the first Bishop of the new Gary Diocese [encompassing five counties and inhabited by many persons from a great variety of ethnic, racial, economic and social conditionings] has been superb. By words--more important--example, you have taught us that what is important is that we are one in our beliefs and hopes as Roman Catholic citizens of these United States. Selfless in expending your energies, time, talents and intellectual prowess, you have, and continue to do His work, quietly and, more often than not, without recognition.

Your knowledge of those of us in your Diocese, including the ability to remember names, recall and help with problems, speak with many in individual native languages and concern about each [particularly the old and informed and the children, who return your affection in full measure], is only one of your admirable characteristics. How fine it is to be a member of the Gary Diocese, which under your leadership remains still incomplete, accepting the challenges of every day as it continues to grow and progress in positive directions!

In behalf of the entire civil city of East Chicago and each of its citizens, it is a pleasure to extend congratulations and good wishes. From my wife Ruth Ann, each of our seven children and myself, comes this prayer: May God, to whom you have dedicated your life of devoted service, continue to look gently upon you. May He grant you good health, good friends and the happiness of a long life. Thank you, Bishop Grutka, for twenty-five wonderful years.

Sincerely,

Robert A. Pastrick, Mayor

Robert A. Pastrick
Mayor of East Chicago

GRATITUDE is a fruit of great cultivation: you do not find it among gross people.

— Johnson

The People of

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Pray for

God's Continued Blessings

Upon

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka

And the

Diocese of Gary

On the Happy Occasion of

Their 25th Anniversary

Prayerful

Congratulations

to

BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA

and the

DIOCESE OF GARY

from

OUR LADY OF VICTORY MISSIONARY SISTERS

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Journey to Jubilee

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the Baptist Church in Whiting at 5:30 p.m., which was followed by a reception for the jubilarian in the Calumet College Dining Room.

Father Lefko was President of Calumet College from 1967 until 1975, when he resigned, assuming the title of President Emeritus. Under his dynamic leadership Calumet College grew from a branch campus of St. Joseph College in Rensselaer, accommodating about 1,200 students, to an independent degree-granting institution that has served as many as 1,900 students in a single semester.

May

Over 500 altar boys, representing 44 parishes were in attendance at the sixth annual Altar Boy Program held Sunday, May 7 at St. Mary of the Lake Church in Gary.

After a program consisting of bible readings, hymns, and a homily delivered by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, the Bishop presented awards — medals and certificates to the outstanding servers and certificates to other servers. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament concluded the service.

The Serra Clubs of the Diocese were hosts for the program.

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The newest parish in the Diocese of Gary has been placed under the patronage of the first American born saint, a Chancery announcement has revealed.

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, established on February 1, 1978 is comprised of portions of Ross and Winfield Townships in Lake County and Union and Porter Townships in Porter County.

Father John J. Savio, the founding Pastor of the parish conducted a poll among his parishioners, seeking their choice of a parish patron saint. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton was chosen, and with the approval of Bishop Grutka, the parish has been so designated.

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Three men from the Diocese of Gary were ordained to the Order of Deacon on Sunday, May 28.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka bestowed the Diaconate on Mr. Stephen J. Titko, Mr. Robert J. Tokarz, and Mr. J. Anthony Valtierra at ceremonies at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

Mr. Titko is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen M. Titko of Hobart. The family are members of St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Gary.

Mr. Tokarz's home parish is St. Casimir in Hammond. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tokarz.

A member of St. Luke Parish in Gary, Mr. Valtierra is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jose Valtierra.

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A Gary man was chosen as the recipient of the 1978 'Outstanding Layman Award' by the Indiana Knights of Columbus at their State Convention in Indianapolis.

Major Marion V. McPherson, director of the Catholic Charities Referral Center in Gary was named for the award by the Indiana Knights who cited his "service for his country and his fellow man, exemplifying the true meaning of Christianity."

McPherson is a member of the Diocese of Gary Pastoral Council and is a Diocesan representative to the Advisory Board of the Indiana Catholic Conference. In addition, he is a member of the lay advisory board of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, and is a member of the Indiana Inter-religious Commission on Human Equality.

McPherson has directed the Referral Center since 1967.

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Monsignor Michael A. Campagna, founding Pastor of the Immaculate Conception Parish in East Chicago, and founding director of Hoosier Boys' Town in Schererville, was honored by the parish on Wednesday, May 31. The occasion was a testimonial dinner marking the 50th anniversary of Monsignor Campagna's ordination to the priesthood.

Preceding the dinner the honoree celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving in the church.

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A Senior at Andrean High School was presented with the 'Catholic Youth Leadership Award' at the 77th State Convention of the Indiana Knights of Columbus, held May 12-14 in Indianapolis.

The honor went to Raymond Wojkovich, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wojkovich of Merrillville. He was selected from entries submitted from the 92 Knights' councils in the state. Raymond was nominated by the St. Thomas Council in Hobart.

Raymond is an active member of SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Merrillville.

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Adult Confirmation was administered on Sunday, May 21 at a 3:00 p.m. Mass in the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka adminstered the Sacrament of Confirmation to 207 adults — 75 men and 132 women. Forty-five parishes were represented in the group.

June

Parishioners at Notre Dame Parish in Michigan City, along with their Pastor, Monsignor F. J. Melevage, celebrated the 25th anniversary of the parish's founding on Sunday, June 11.

Highlight of the day's activities was an 11:30 a.m. Mass with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka as the principal celebrant, along with Monsignor Melevage and other priests who have served the parish since its founding.

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Stephen C. Chrustowski, retired staff writer for the Hammond Times newspaper was chosen 'Catholic Man of the Year' by members of Pope John XXIII Council Knights of Columbus in Whiting.

Chrustowski was honored during the 65th anniversary banquet of the council, attended by more than 400 members and guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Chrustowski are members of St. Joseph Parish in Hammond.

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Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday, June 23 for Rev. Carl J. Holsinger, former Pastor of St. Mary Parish in East Chicago.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of the 11:00 a.m. Requiem Mass at St. Mary Church.

Father Holsinger, 78, was a priest for over 51 years. He served the East Chicago parish from Nov. 15, 1956 until his retirement in September of 1965.

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A change in the administration of Andrean High School in Merrillville was announced jointly by the Diocese of Gary Chancery and the Basilian Fathers of Toronto, Ontario, who staff the school.

Rev. Donald E. Benwitz, C.S.B., Assistant Principal for boys for the past two years at Andrean, will assume the position of Principal. He replaces Rev. Ronald G. Schwenzer, C.S.B., Andrean Principal for the last five years.

The new Principal's association with Andrean covers a period of six years. From 1963-65 and 1974-76 he taught Spanish at the school for the past two years, he has served in the position of Assistant Principal.

July

Rev. Mr. Richard A. Emerson was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Gary on Saturday, July 1 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka administered the Sacrament of Holy Orders to Rev. Mr. Emerson, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Emerson, formerly of Hammond and now residing in Orlando, Florida.

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Thomas O'Rourke of Highland was installed as State Deputy of the Indiana Knights of Columbus during a Mass celebrated at Our Lady of Grace Church in Highland on July 8.

Officiating at the ceremony was Father Emil Bloch, recently appointed State K. of C. Chaplain, and pastor of St. Andrew Parish in Merrillville.

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Stephen J. Topolski of the Michigan City Serra Club was honored at the Serra International Convention in Toronto, Ontario for his service during the past year as a District Governor. Mr. Topolski received a certificate of appreciation from Serra International President Frank J. Metyko of Houston, Texas.

Serra International is an organization of Catholic men dedicated to the encouragement of vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

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Several hundred people gathered at the Carmelite Shrines in Munster, on Sunday, July 16 to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The occasion was the celebration of the Feast Day of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Father Thomas I. Balys, O.C.D., new Prior of the Carmelite Monastery and Shrines was principal celebrant of an 11:30 a.m. Mass. Blessing and distribution of scapulars followed the Mass.

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Funeral Mass was celebrated on Monday, July 31 for Rev. Mr. Walter Stone, a member of the Diocese of Gary Permanent Diaconate.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was celebrant of the Mass for Deacon

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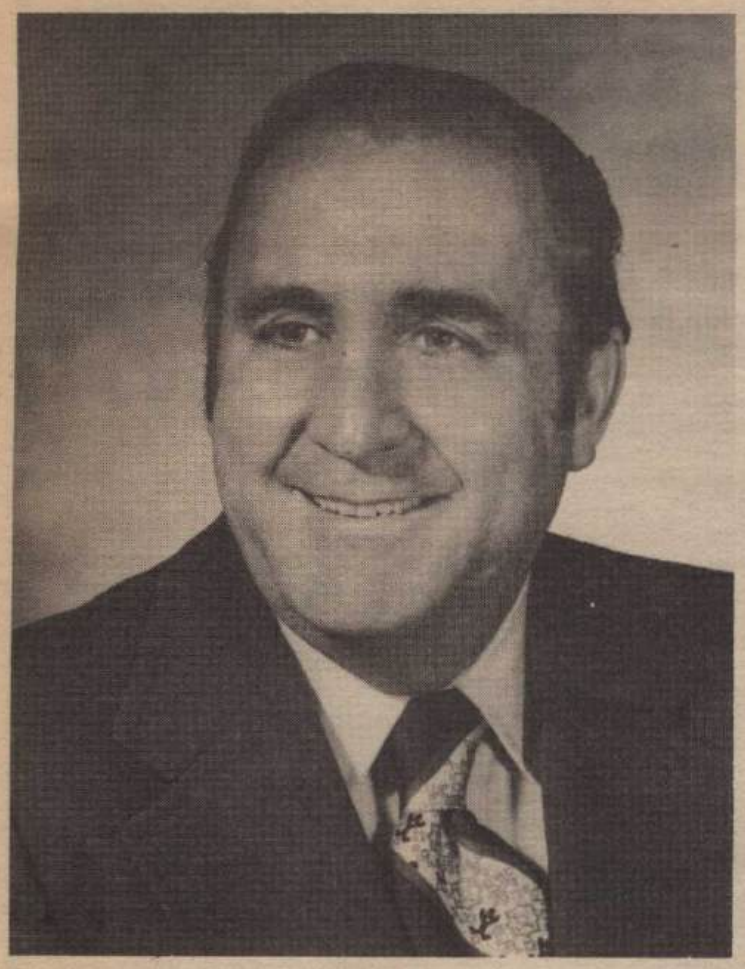
Edward J. Raskosky
Mayor of Hammond



EDWARD J. RASKOSKY, Mayor

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February 5, 1982

The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka
Bishop of the Gary Diocese
P.O. Box M 474
Gary, Indiana 46401

Dear Bishop Grutka:

On the distinguished occasion of the Silver Anniversary of your consecration as Bishop of the Gary Diocese and also the Silver Anniversary of the formation of the Gary Catholic Diocese, it gives me great pleasure to rejoice with you and your flock.

The year the Gary Diocese was founded had to be a particularly trying time for you and its members who were determined to bring into existence a new Diocese for God's work. Your success is an inspiration to everyone.

The intervening years have been a triumph for you; your 25th anniversary attests to that fact. Your dedication and love to the Gary Diocese is greatly appreciated by all.

Your Excellency, I am delighted to share this joyous time with you and want to wish you many more years of enlightened leadership in the Gary Diocese.

Sincerely yours,

Edward J. Raskosky, Mayor

EJR/rs

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Mayor of Portage

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, DD

Your Excellency,

On this happy occasion of the Silver Jubilee of the Diocese of Gary and your observance of Twenty-Five years as its first Bishop, I, the Mayor of Portage, Indiana and its citizens extend to you sincere and heartfelt congratulations to the Catholic People of Northwest Indiana and especially those in the City of Portage, as they join in this dual Jubilee, we offer our sincere best wishes.

Sincerely,

John P. Williams, Mayor
City of Portage

"I am the vine, your are the branches.
He who lives in Me and I in him,
Will produce abundantly,
For apart from Me you can do nothing".

(Jn. 15:5)

The Parish Family of St. John the Baptist,
Whiting
Wishes Abundant Blessings Upon the
Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
and the
Diocese of Gary
On the Occasion of the Silver Jubilee of
His Consecration
And the Founding of the Diocese

A. J. Rumely, Jr.
Mayor of LaPorte

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A. J. RUMELY, JR.

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

February 4, 1982

The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka,
Bishop of the Diocese of Gary
P. O. Box 474
Gary, Indiana 46401

Your Excellency:

The City of LaPorte is a deeply religiously oriented community. I feel, as the chief elected official of the City, I can speak for all denominations as well as the three Catholic parishes to wish you and the diocese warmest congratulations on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the diocese and the beginning of your stewardship as the spiritual leader of the diocese.

May Our Lord grant you many years of good health. You have been an inspiration to all of us during the past twenty-five years and we appreciate your efforts in this vineyard of the Lord.

Sincerely yours,

A. J. Rumely, Jr.,
Mayor
City of LaPorte

AJR/gr

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Mayor of Lake Station

City of Lake Station

Office of the Mayor
CARL MILLER
3625 Central Avenue
Lake Station, Indiana 46405

February 4, 1982

The Most Reverend
Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.

Dear Bishop:

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate your Excellency on your Silver Jubilee as Bishop of the Gary Diocese as well as your Silver Jubilee of the Diocese existing.

I'm sure that it must give you a feeling of fulfillment, to be able to celebrate two such events combined, for your devout 25 years of service to the Catholic Church.

Your respectful servant,

Carl H. Miller

Mayor Carl H. Miller

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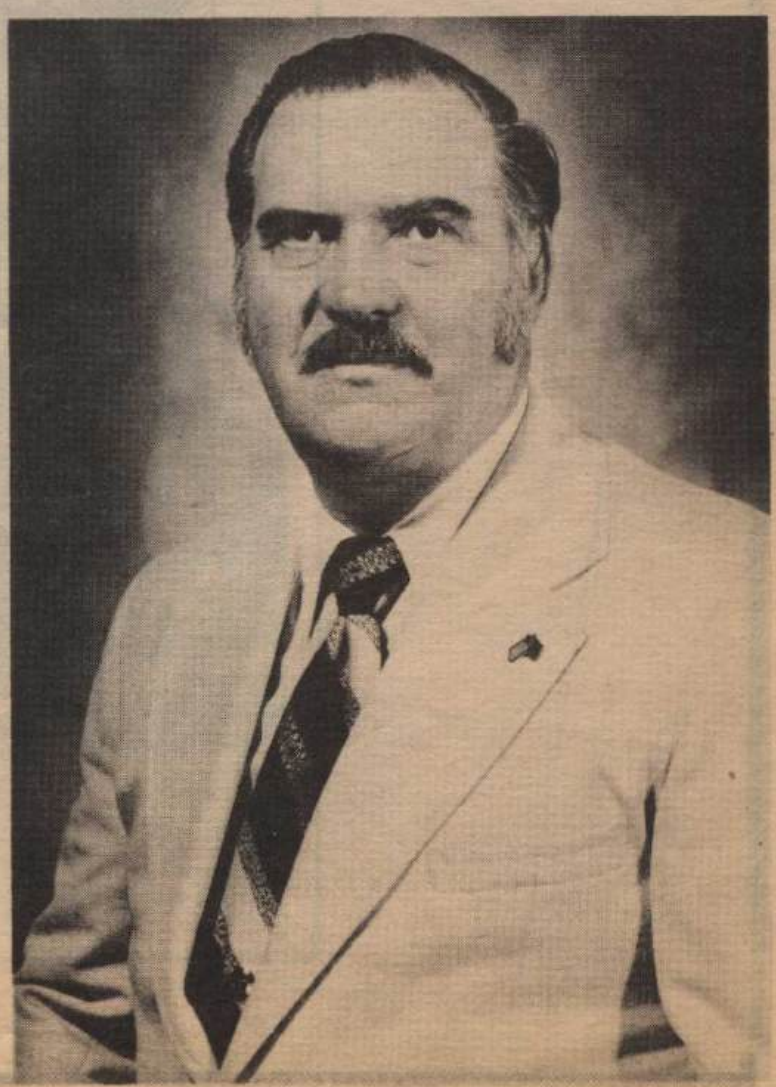

Congratulations and Best Wishes Dear Bishop Grutka and the Diocese of Gary on Your Silver Anniversaries.

We Wish You Many Years of Compassion, Understanding, Love, Peace, Joy and Good Health in the Lord.

Faithful and Devoted Parishioners
of Sacred Heart Parish, Whiting
and Father Fowerbaugh

Calvin E. Green, Jr.
Mayor of Hobart

Office of the Mayor
Calvin E. Green, Jr.
Hobart, Indiana 46342

February 5, 1982

His Excellency Bishop Andrew Grutka
Gary Chancery Office
P.O. Box 474-M
Gary, Indiana 46401

Dear Bishop Grutka,

The citizens, of the City of Hobart, join me in sending our warmest congratulations to you on the occasion of your twenty-fifth year as Bishop.

Twenty five years is certainly an important milestone and one of which I hope you have many fond memories.

May the years ahead bring you good health, happiness and continued success.

Sincerely,

Calvin E. Green, Jr.
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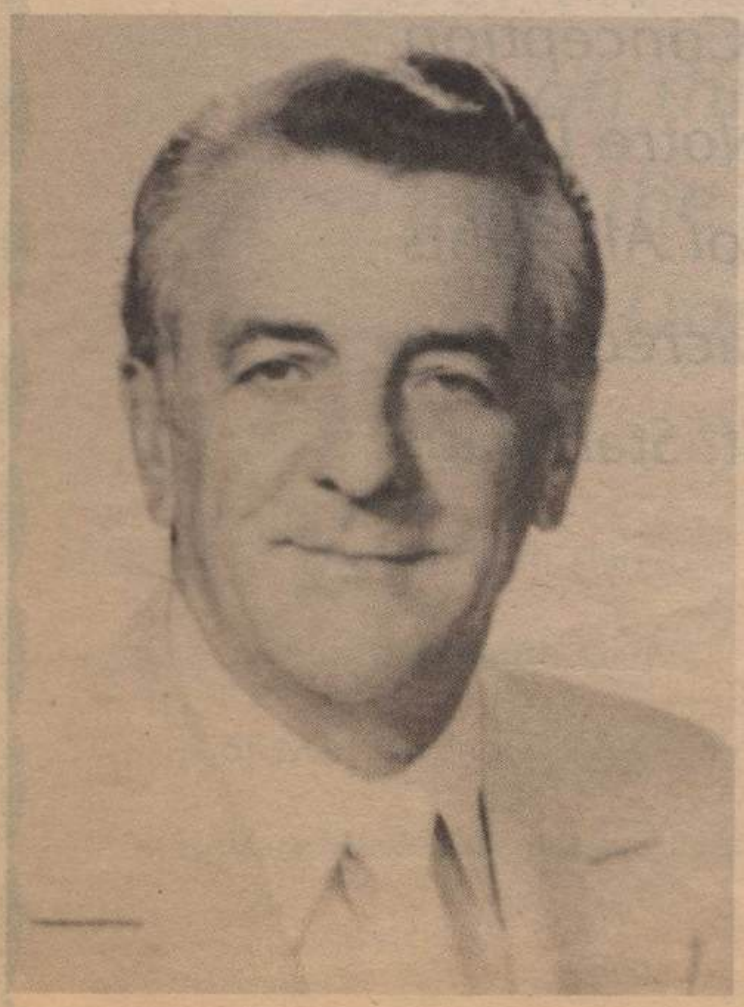
Richard C. Collins
Mayor of Crown Point



City of Crown Point
Richard C. Collins, Mayor

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February 8, 1982

Excellent Most Reverend Andrew Grutka
Bishop, Gary Diocese
P.O. Box M 474
Gary, IN 46401

Dear Bishop Grutka:

On this occasion of the twenty-fifth year of the establishment of the Gary Diocese, and also of your consecration as Bishop of the Gary Diocese, I would like to offer, on behalf of myself and the citizens of the City of Crown Point, our heartfelt congratulations.

We also extend our warmest wishes for continued years of dedicated service to the Church, the community, and the people of this area.

Sincerely,

Richard C. Collins, Mayor
City of Crown Point

BLESSINGS and BEST WISHES from the Catholic Parishes of Michigan City and Beverly Shores

St. Ann of the Dunes

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception

Notre Dame

Queen of All Saints

Sacred Heart

St. Stanislaus

Journey to Jubilee

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Stone, 49 who died Friday, July 28 at Broadway Methodist Hospital in Merrillville, after suffering severe heart attack.

Deacon Stone has served at SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Merrillville since October 30, 1977.

August

Clergy, Religious and faithful of the Diocese joined Bishop Grutka in a Funeral Liturgy at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels on Friday, August 11.

The Funeral Liturgy was in honor of His Holiness Pope Paul VI, who died on Sunday, August 6 at the age of 80.

Masses for the Holy Father were also celebrated in every parish of the Diocese on the following day, August 12, the day of burial for Pope Paul VI.

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Sister Mary Deotilla, SSC celebrated the Golden Jubilee of her profession in the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Casimir of Chicago at the Motherhouse of the Order in Chicago.

Sister Mary Deotilla entered the Congregation from St. Casimir Parish in Gary. In 1976 she received the Pro Ecclesia Et Pontifice medal from Pope Paul VI for her missionary endeavors in behalf of the National Seminary of the Assumption in Guatemala.

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Certificates were presented to 52 Northwest Indiana CYO Community Services Volunteers at the annual Evening of Appreciation held August 9 at the Catholic Family Service Center in Gary. The volunteers serve in social welfare agencies throughout Lake County.

Outstanding Volunteer Awards were presented to Mary Libauskas, Yvonne Sells and Pam Orr. CYO Youth Services Coordinator Marti Palmateer made the presentations.

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Calumet College in Hammond opened its doors to prospective students at an Open House on Sunday, August 20. Members of the college's faculty and staff were on hand to explain the college's academic programs and facilities, and answer any questions on admissions, requirements or financial aid.

September

Holy Masses and special prayers were offered on Sunday, September 3, in all churches and chapels of the Diocese the day of the solemn enthronement of Pope John Paul as Supreme Pontiff.

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Groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Saint Joan of Arc Church in Merrillville were conducted on Sunday, September 10.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka officiated at the ceremonies along with Rev. Gerald A. Sroka, the Pastor; Rev. Emil E. Bloch, Pastor of St. Andrew Parish in Merrillville, and Rev. John F. Morales, Chancellor of the Diocese.

Construction is expected to begin soon on the building to be located east of Broadway in Merrillville. The structure is planned to seat approximately 400 persons.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka announced the establishment of a Religious Education/CCD Office in the Diocese.

Rev. J. Patrick Gaza has been appointed Diocesan Director, and Sister Grace Clemens, OSF, Assistant Director. The office will be located in the new Cathedral Center at 975 West 6th Avenue in Gary.

The Institute of Religion will continue with the training of catechists for the various religious education programs in the Diocese. To complement this teacher formation, the new Religious Education/CCD Office will serve as a resource to pastors, parish coordinators, teachers, parents and youths.

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A Mass of Thanksgiving with Bishop Grutka as the principal concelebrant was the highlight of festivities surrounding the 125th anniversary celebration of Saint Peter Parish in LaPorte.

A commemorative program and dinner-dance in the parish hall followed the Mass. Father George M. Vrabely is present pastor of the parish which numbers approximately 700 families.

October

Members of St. Nicholas Romanian Rite Catholic Parish in East Chicago observed the 65th anniversary of the parish on October 8.

Rev. George C. Muresan, Pastor was celebrant of a Divine Liturgy celebrated on October 8. A number of priests from other communities participated in the Liturgy and a "parastas' (memorial service) offered in memory of deceased former members of the parish.

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Prayers were offered throughout the Diocese for His Holiness Pope John Paul I whose sudden death, after only a 34-day pontificate shocked the world.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, commenting on the Holy Father's death said:

"The pontificate of Pope John Paul was very short, but its impact may endure for a long time to come. The whole world saw something very special and truly holy in him. People of differing beliefs were as captivated by him as were the faithful believers."

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka announced the opening of a diocesan center for spiritual renewal in Hammond.

The center will be located on the campus of Bishop Noll Institute, in the former residence hall of the Christian Brothers, at 1441 Hoffman Street. Rev. Timothy E. Benants has been appointed the Director.

The center will provide opportunities for retreats and days of recollection for the laity, both young and old, as well as for the clergy and religious of the Diocese.

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Catholics in the Diocese of Gary greeted the news of the election of Cardinal Karol Wojtyla as the new reigning pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church, Pope John Paul II.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka called for prayers of gratitude for the gift of a new Holy Father and commented:

"May the Lord, Whose Vicar on earth he now is, enable him to ever reflect an image of goodness and holiness which will radiate so brightly and convincingly, so as to bring all peoples ever closer to each other, and ever near to God.

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Messages from members of the clergy and a model American mother highlighted the First Biennial Convention of the National Council of Catholic Women, Province of Indianapolis, held last week at the Merrillville Holiday Inn Convention Center.

The three-day event, sponsored by the Gary Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, featured as guest speaker for the main convention banquet, Bishop Kenneth J. Povish, Bishop of the Diocese of Lansing, Michigan.

Addressing the opening dinner of the convention was Mrs. Gloria Langdon of Tonkawa, Oklahoma, 1977 National American Mother of the Year.

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Our Prayers and Congratulations on this Happy Occasion, from the Ancilla Domini Sisters, Donaldson, Indiana

St. Ann Parish, Gary

St. Mark Parish, Gary

St. Mary Medical Center, Gary

St. Mary Medical Center, S.E., Hobart

St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Hammond

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Hammond

St. Catherine Hospital, East Chicago

St. Mary Parish, East Chicago

Clifford D. Arnold
Mayor of Michigan City

CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY
MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR — CLIFFORD D. ARNOLD

February, 1982

His Excellency, Andrew G. Grutka
Diocese of Gary
Gary, Indiana 46401

Your Excellency:

I am extremely honored to have been asked to be a part of the Holy Mass of Thanksgiving commemorating both the Twenty Fifth Anniversary of the Diocese of Gary and of the Consecration of its First Ordinary Andrew G. Grutka.

As Mayor of a community such as Michigan City, I fully realize the extreme importance of spiritual guidance to our citizens and the contributions that you, as the leader of the Diocese, have made to our community.

On behalf of the citizens of Michigan City, may I offer my most sincere and humble congratulations. I wish you and the Diocese all the best as you continue to provide the religious support which so many of us seek out and rely upon.

Again, I rejoice with you as you celebrate this most momentous occasion.

Respectfully,

Clifford D. Arnold

Clifford D. Arnold, Mayor
City of Michigan City

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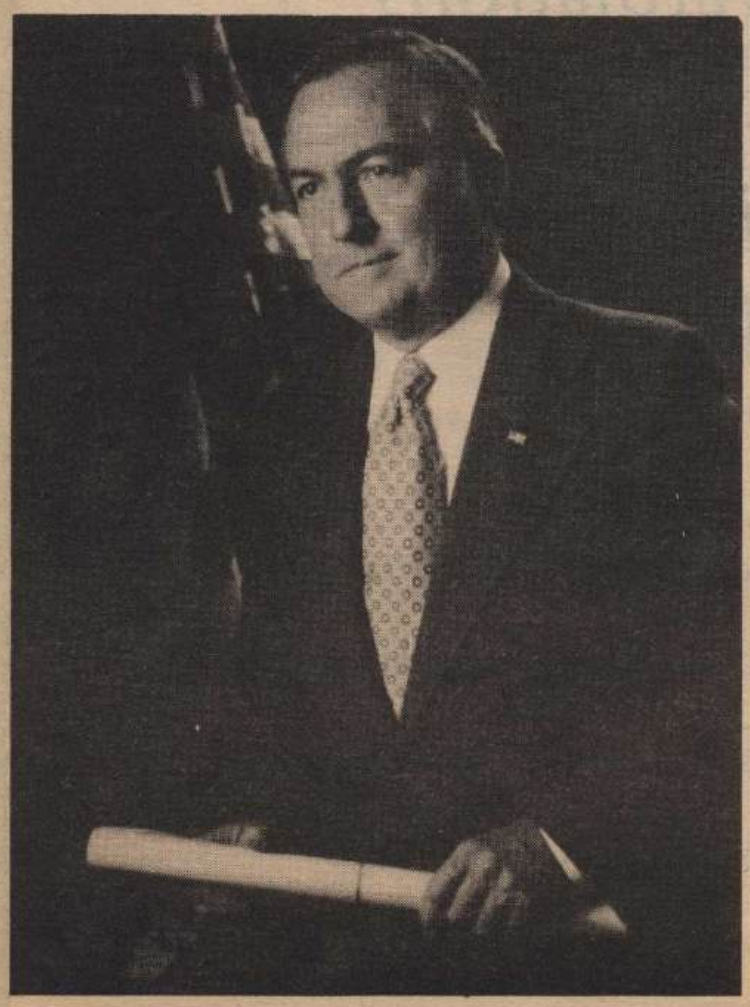
Joseph B. Grenchik
Mayor of Whiting



City of Whiting Indiana
Joseph B. Grenchik, Mayor

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08 February, 1982

The Most Reverend
Andrew G. Grutka
Bishop of the Diocese of Gary
Gary, Indiana

Your Excellency:

The citizens of Whiting join with me in congratulating you on the occasion of your Silver Jubilee of your consecration as the First Bishop of the Diocese of Gary.

We also congratulate the Diocese of Gary on the occasion of its Twenty Fifth Anniversary of its founding.

Your outstanding spiritual leadership transcends the borders of your Diocese. Through your untiring efforts both Nationally and Internationally, you have enriched the lives of many people.

We in Whiting are especially grateful for this and pray that God will give you the health and stamina to continue many more years in His service in the Diocese of Gary.

Most Respectfully Yours,

Joseph B Grenchik

Joseph B. Grenchik,
Mayor of Whiting, Indiana

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The keynote address was given by Rev. John Siekierski, who has served as Provincial Moderator for the past two years. He spoke to the women on the theme of the convention, "Unity Through Service With Christ."

Workshops conducted throughout the three-day meet involved the women in several areas of interest and concern — child abuse, teenage drinking and drugs, battered women, natural family planning, prayer and meditation, and retreats and vocations.

At the closing luncheon, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka spoke to the women, stressing the importance of family life today, and in the future. He reminded the ladies of the responsibility of the mothers' role in this area.

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Rev. Joseph Semancik, Director of Diocesan Catholic Charities, was elected to serve as the Chairman for the Catholic Charities directors in the United States, for a two-year term. In this position he will also serve as one of the Vice Presidents of the Board of Directors of the National Conference of Catholic Charities.

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A funeral liturgy was celebrated on October 20 at Sacred Heart Church in Whiting, for Rev. Herman J. Miller, retired former pastor there. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant.

Father Miller, 80, died on October 18 at the Sacred Heart Home for the Aged in Avilla, Indiana.

November

The Sisters' Council of the Diocese sponsored a Vocation Awareness Day, Sunday, November 12 at Our Lady of Grace Parish in Highland.

Tailored for junior and senior high school girls, the program explored how the individual hears the call and responds to a married, single, or religious vocation.

Participants had the opportunity to view various exhibits displayed by the 29 religious orders of women serving in the Diocese.

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"A person completely in love with The Lord and the Church founded by The Lord. He evidences a conviction in his belief that radiates with a disarming warmth and a bright joy."

The words were used by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka to express his feelings on the occasion of his meeting with Pope John Paul II. The bishop was one of 18 United States bishops who were in Rome on November 9 for their five-year 'Ad Limina' report.

Residential bishops are obliged to make a period 'ad limina' visit ("to the threshold of the Apostles") the the tombs of Saints Peter and Paul. At that time they have an audience with the Holy Father and present a written report of conditions in their dioceses.

Bishop Grutka was granted a fifteen-minute private audience with Pope John Paul II, during which the two talked of many things in Northwest Indiana.

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FIFTEEN WOMEN, religious education coordinators in the Diocese, were undergoing further training to aid them in the administration of their programs, when this picture was taken in January of 1980, Pictured, left to right, back row: Advisors Mrs. Theresa Seifert and Rev. Patrick Gaza, Director of the program Sister Grace Clemens, OSF; Mrs. Mary Ann Brinley, Mrs. Jane Elias, Mrs. Joan Behr, Mrs. Sharon Fife; Middle row: Mrs. Brenda Bissa, Mrs. Patti Ann Welter, Mrs. Rose Mary Wheeler, Mrs. Mary Kelly, Mrs. Judy Zielinski, Mrs. Julia Laskody. Front row: Mrs. Elaine Caco, Mrs. Joan Kowalczyk, Mrs. Susan Bates, Mrs. Lyn Horwith, and Mrs. Sue Halfman.

Northwest Indiana Catholic Charismatic Prayer Groups met on Saturday, Nov. 18 at Andrean High School for a Day of Renewal.

The group was addressed by Rev. William Martin, Pastor of St. Monica Parish in Gary. A variety of workshops on the theme of Repentance were conducted in the afternoon and a Eucharistic Celebration took place at 2:45 p.m.

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CYO Director Mike Chelap addressed 200 coaches and guests at

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25th

Congratulations and best wishes
to our Bishop
and to all the People of God
of the Diocese of Gary
on our Silver Jubilee!

— From the Family of St. Helen Parish, Hebron

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a CYO Coaches Certification Program held Sunday, November 5 at Bishop Noll Institute.

The purpose of the program was to make coaches in the CYO sports aware of their physical, psychological and ministerial responsibilities to the youth under their charge.

Upon completion of the day's exercises, the coaches were presented with CYO Certification patches.

December

The Marquette High School Science Club won the State Championship at the 46th annual Indiana Academy of Science competition held at Anderson College.

The competition was based on three areas: research paper presentations, aerodynamic design and distance, and four-man quiz panels.

Christ Purcell placed second and Dave Di Gioia third in paper presentations, while Kevin Hodonos was second in aerodynamics. The four-man team of Di Gioia, Hodonos, Dave Lazarek, and Pat Sims won first in that category.

Marquette's ninth grade team of Tom Beutner, Mark Paulik, Ingemar Venckus, and Richard Bush won first place in the junior division.

Dean Christakis, teacher-coach of the Marquette Science Department, accepted the three-foot high state championship trophy.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka dedicated the Father Stephan Memorial Hall at All Saints Parish in San Pierre on Sunday, Dec. 17.

A concelebrated Mass was the highlight of the religious and patriotic activities of the day.

The founder and first pastor of All Saints Church, Father Joseph Andrew Stephan came to San Pierre as a missionary in 1856. He spent 21 years in San Pierre and in that time established All Saints Parish, the first Catholic parish in Starke County.

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A 25-year time capsule, in honor of the Golden Jubilee of St. Mary Church and School in Griffith was dedicated on December 7 by Mrs. Clancy Culp, president of the St. Mary Home and School Association, and Sister Elise, principal of St. Mary School.

The capsule, which will be reopened in the year 2003, contains 1978 memorabilia of the church, school and the Griffith community, as well as predictions for the year 2003 and historical photographs and information from past years.

All the classes at St. Mary School contributed material for the time capsule.

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Parishioners at St. Mary of the Lake Parish in Gary collected over 400 gifts this year during their Christmas time 'Operation Giving Tree' project.

Operation Giving Tree has been a yearly custom at St. Mary for the past five years, as a response to the needs of the less fortunate. Families in the parish take a card from the tree, donate an appropriate gift, wrap it, and return it to the tree with the card.

Under the leadership of chairpersons Mrs. Marie Tucker and Mrs. Carolyn Barnes, children at the Carmelite Home for Boys, the Carmelite Home for Girls, the Day Care Center in Gary and the senior citizens at the Fountain View Nursing Home in Hobart enjoyed a brighter holiday season.

1979

January

An announcement from the Diocesan Chancery revealed that effective January 2, 1979, the office of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and the Chancery office would be located at 975 West 6th Avenue, on the third floor of the Holy Angels School building in Gary.

Also located within the building will be the offices of the Diocesan Tribunal, Diocese of Gary Schools, Religious Education/CCD, Retirement, and the Gary Sunday Visitor.

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A Respect for Life Mass was celebrated on Monday, January 22 in Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in East Chicago.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka concelebrated the Mass with the priests of the East Chicago Vicariate in commemoration of the sixth anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion on demand.

All parishes in the East Chicago Vicariate participated in the Mass, as well as state and city officials, and representatives from area hospitals and schools.

The Mass was sponsored jointly by the Club de las Rosas of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, and other parishes of the vicariate.

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Major seminarians from the Gary Diocese were special guests at the Fifteenth Annual Dinner sponsored by the Michigan City Serrans in conjunction with the Gary and Calumet Area Serra Clubs.

Michigan City Serra President Timothy Leary welcomed the seminarians to the dinner held in the St. Anthony Hospital Staff Room in Michigan City. Guest speaker for the evening was Bishop Andrew G. Grutka who spoke on the 'Priest's Role in the Church.'

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A parent-teacher workshop on 'Prayer' was conducted on Sunday, January 21 at Sacred Heart Hall in LaPorte.

Workshop speakers included Sister Grace Clemens, Sister Gloria Jean Kozlowski, and Ms. Barbara Minczewski.

February

Students and faculty at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School in Hammond observed Catholic School Week, February 4-10.

The children read prayers at the Masses on the first two days of the week. After the Masses on Sunday, all parishioners were invited to an open house in the school library.

Climax of the week-long observance was the Faculty Appreciation Day on Friday, when all students and teachers attended Mass together.

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Sister James Marie Troy of Sacred Heart Parish in Whiting and her twin sister, Sister John Francis Troy of Saint Mary of the Woods, Indiana celebrated their Golden Jubilee as Sisters of Providence on Saturday, February 10 at Sacred Heart Church. Reverend Raymond Fowerbaugh, pastor, celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of the two jubilarians. Sister James Marie has taught at Sacred Heart for the past ten years. Sister John Francis is a dental technician for the Sisters of Saint Mary of the Woods.

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Presentation of the annual Catholic Youth wards took place Sunday, February 18 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels in Gary.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka presented the awards at the 3:00 p.m. ceremony. Presentations included recognition of the Parvuli Dei Award recipients and the Puella Maria recipients, plus the Marian Award and the Saint Anne Award.

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Forty-eight trophies and 128 Achievement Ribbons were awarded at the 17th Annual Invitational Mathematics Tournament held Saturday, February 24, at Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond. The

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A Thanksgiving and a Jubilation!

An ill wind blew across the historic Catholic tradition, rich rural lands and cities of the Blessed Mother's country, Poland, in the fall of 1939. This tempest has not yet abated. Varied peaks of this oppression has continued to surface, as still the faithful of Poland suffer today.

We can see that this is the testing of the Divine Providence for His chosen! As aphorism indicates, their trials have benefited us, the people of Our Lady's most powerful and affluent country, that which is dedicated to her Immaculate Conception.

Through this Divine Providence, three of Mary's brethren of Mt. Carmel arrived here in the Calumet area of Indiana. Through the auspices of a dedicated and honored Bishop of Christ's Church, Archbishop Noll, these men were resettled here in the Calumet to serve their fellow country men and their families who had fled the oppressor of the land of Mary, Poland, in Europe.

These men not only brought comfort and spiritual care for their fellows of the dispersion, but to others of the faithful of this their adopted country.

It was to be again that Divine Providence would intervene in their behalf. Another humble priest of God was selected by Peter's elected successor Pope Pius XII twenty-five years ago, to go forth and form a new diocese at the bottom of Lake Michigan in this their adopted country. A diocese that at one time was the heartland of one of the most heavily concentrated industrial-commercial complexes in the world. This servant of God, this young vigorous newly honored Bishop, Andrew G. Grutka, too, was to be an important facilitator for the work of these men of Mary of Mt. Carmel.

Each new endeavor and enterprise attempted by these men of Carmel has received his total support and more . . . from their Bishop Grutka! No Shepherd has concerned himself with better understanding to the plight and efforts of an apostolic immigrant Catholicism!

We the men of Mary of Mt. Carmel have with God's help erected beautiful Shrines to honor our Patroness, Our Mother, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel; Her Son, Jesus and God, the Father of us all. What has been accomplished could not have been without the guidance and Shepherd's care of our honored Bishop Andrew G. Grutka.

We join today and throughout this jubilee year with the faithful of the diocese of Gary and those throughout this adopted land of ours who truly recognize the Bishop's love for all men. We would also express the thanksgiving and congratulations of our fellow friars and Provincial of the Warsaw. Province of the order of Discalced Carmelites. We acknowledge the Wisdom of Divine Providence in placing our Carmelites of Munster under the care and spiritual guidance of His good Shepherd, His Bishop, Andrew G. Grutka.

We invite all to visit us at our monastery and world renowned Shrines, to offer thanksgiving to God for His blessings and for our Bishop. May God continue to bless us, the Friars and Prior of the Carmelite Monastery.

Munster, Indiana
Thomas I. Balys, Prior O.C.D.
and Carmelite Fathers

Bishop Grutka said: *"I am very proud that in my diocese exists a beautiful Carmelite Shrine in which we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary."*

Carmelite Shrine in Munster

Prayerful Best Wishes to the Diocese of Gary on the 25th Anniversary of its founding, and to Bishop Andrew G. Grutka on the anniversary of his consecration as its first Bishop

Cathedral of the Holy Angels Parish and School

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tournament is sponsored by the B.N.I. Sophomore Math Club.

Three hundrd contestants took part in the competition, representing eighth grade students from parochial schools in Hammond, Gary, Michigan City, Merrillville, Schererville, and Crown Point in Indiana, as well as Hegewisch, Lansing, and Joliet in Illinois.

Rev. Patrick J. Connolly, B.N.I. Principal presented the awards to the winners.

March

A Funeral Liturgy was celebrated on Tuesday, March 20 at Saint Edward Church in Lowell for the pastor, Reverend Matthew G. Spebar. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant.

Father Spebar, 62, died Friday, March 16 at St. Anthony Medical Center in Crown Point.

Father Spebar had served Saint Edward since June 29, 1967.

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Bishop Grutka appealed to the people of the Diocese, asking their prayers, compassion and aid for the mentally retarded.

March has been designated by the National Association for Retarded Citizens as Mental Retardation Month.

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Sister M. Emma Hvozdovic, SS.C.M., librarian at Andrean High School in Merrillville since its foundation in 1959, passed away at the Motherhouse of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Danville, Pennsylvania, on Sunday, March 18.

Sister Emma had been a member of her religious community for 46 years. She began the organization of the Andrean school library even before ground was broken for the school. She was hospitalized in September of last year and was taken to Danville for further medical care.

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Two Seniors at Bishop Noll Institute were named finalists in the 1979 National Merit Scholarship competition. They are June Mannion and Robert Bielski.

June is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mannion of Hammond. She is a member of St. John Bosco Parish and is ranked at the top of her class with a 3.98 grade point average.

Robert, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bielski of Calumet City, Illinois is a member of St. Andrew Parish. He is ranked second in his class with a 3.90 grade point average.

Both students plan to pursue a career in the medical profession.

April

Rev. Rob Sidner, Spiritual Director of Saint Meinrad College, Saint Meinrad, Indiana was the featured speaker at the Twelfth Annual Saint Meinrad Alumni Dinner held in Gary on April 3.

The reception and dinner were held at Holy Trinity Parish Hall. Rev. Joseph Viater, Holy Trinity Pastor was chairman for this year's dinner.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and Congressman Adam Benjamin addressed a World Hunger meeting held on April 19 at the First Christian Reformed Church in Highland.

The meeting was sponsored by the Bread for the World organization, a Christian citizens' movement organized nationally to confront hunger issues on a global basis.

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The Lake County Right to Life's 6th annual Fund Raising Dinner was held Friday, April 27 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Whiting.

Guest speaker for the evening was noted author and lecturer Valerie Vance Dillon, whose topic was 'Pro-Life Attitudes and inter-Personal Relationships.'

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Americans of Slovak heritage from various states throughout the United States and Canada assembled in Whiting, April 20-22 for the Spring Conference sponsored by the Slovak Catholic Federation of America.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of a Mass on Sunday at St. John the Baptist Church in Whiting. At a noon luncheon on that day, conference participants heard an address de-

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MSGR. GROTHOUSE YOUTH AWARDS were presented to four high school students who have been involved in a variety of service projects under the auspices of the Northwest Indiana CYO. Shown at the 1980 CYO Installation and Awards Banquet with awards presenters Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and Dr. William Sabo are, from left: Tim O'Drobinak, Mary Wilkins, Laura Marosi, and Sharon Ratajczak.

As we mark the 25th anniversary
of the founding of our Diocese, and the
consecration of our first Shepherd,
the All Saints Community of Hammond
offer our prayers of thanksgiving
and benediction for our Diocese
and our Bishop, Andrew G. Grutka

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February 10, 1982

His Excellency
Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka
Bishop of Gary
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Your Excellency:
On behalf of all the citizens, in the City of Knox, I want to express our congratulations on the occasion of this 25th anniversary of the Gary diocese and for your excellent leadership the past 25 years.

At this time I would also like to commend Your Excellency on the anniversary of your consecration as Bishop of the Gary diocese.

It is a great pleasure to congratulate all the people of the diocese on this celebrated occasion.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Lynch
Mayor, City of Knox

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We should not accept in silence the benefactions of God, but return thanks for them.

— Saint Basil: *The Morals*, 55, 1.

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livered by Rev. Joseph Adamec, President of the Slovak Catholic Federation.

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First grade classes at SS. Peter and Paul School in Merrillville celebrated Easter this year with a Seder Meal in the church basement, and a dramatization of the Way of the Cross and the Resurrection in rooms 3 and 4.

The activities were under the direction of teachers Mrs. Isabel O'Connell and Mrs. Kathy Czarnedki. Room mothers were in charge of the table settings, and made the lamb cakes for the Seder Meal, a Jewish Passover meal.

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The climax of a year-long celebration of the centennial of St. Joseph Parish in downtown Hammond took place on Sunday, April 29.

The day's activities began with the celebration of a Solemn Mass at 10:30 a.m. concelebrated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka with Rev. Joseph E. Vamos, Pastor; Rev. John T. Ambre, Assistant, and all former living pastors and assistant pastors of the parish.

The day's program was concluded with a Centennial dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Panel Room of the St. John Parish Center in Whiting. Bishop Grutka delivered the principal address at the banquet.

May

'A Time to Live and Learn: Ministry with the Aging' was the theme of the ecumenical conference on the elderly and aging sponsored by the Catholic Family Service and Calumet College.

The public conference was held at the Calumet College Smidt Building in Hammond on Thursday, May 10. It included addresses from a variety of speakers, locally and statewide, involved with the ministry to the aging.

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Parishioners at St. Stanislaus Parish in East Chicago marked the 900th anniversary of the death and sainthood of their parish patron with a celebration on May 19 and 20.

A dance for both young and old was held on Saturday at the Parish Center. On Sunday, a commemorative Mass was concelebrated in the church.

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A Mass was celebrated and a reception held for Sister M. Andrew, C.S.C. at St. Patrick Parish in East Chicago on May 17. Sister Andrew, who is celebrating her Golden Jubilee of her religious profession, was principal at St. Patrick School for eight years. Previous to this, Sister taught for 17 years at Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond.

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The 78th annual state convention of the Indiana Knights of Columbus was held May 18-20 at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Merrillville.

Hosting the meet were the three councils of the Second District, Marquette Council 3631, Griffith; Marian Council 3840, Cedar Lake, and Cardinal Stritch Council 4620, Crown Point.

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A Mass of Thanksgiving was celebrated on May 10 by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka for the Sisters of the Diocese of Gary who are marking special anniversaries in the religious life.

Concelebrating the Mass at Holy Trinity Church in Gary were Rev. Gerald A. Sroka, Vicar of Religious, and pastors and chaplains from the parishes and health facilities served by the jubilarians.

Sister jubilarians ranged in length of service from 25 to 60 years. They included:

Sister Andrew Taylor, CSC; Sister Celine Wozniak, SSJ, Sister Epiphania Myszka, SSND; Sister Florence Lesniak, SSJ; Sister Gunthilde Schmidt, OSF; Sister Ildephonse Zavisza, CSC; Sister Irene Rose Kmetz, SS.C.M.; Sister James Marie Troy, SP; Sister Katherine Haffner, OSF.

Also Sister Lorita Lawler, OSF; Sister Marie Estelle LiPomi, SDS; Sister Mary Alverna Sobczyk, SSJ; Sister Mary Dorothy Szostek, OSF; Sister Mary Emily Kowal, OSF; Sister Mary Tarcisia Bucki, OSF; Sister Mary Theresa Dadej, OSF; Sister Mary Therese Grajek,

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OUR WARMEST CONGRATULATIONS TO THE
DIOCESE OF GARY ON ITS SILVER JUBILEE AND,
WITH PROFOUNDEST RESPECT, OUR COMPLIMENTS TO
MOST REVEREND ANDREW G. GRUTKA, D.D.
ON THIS ANNIVERSARY OF HIS CONSECRATION.

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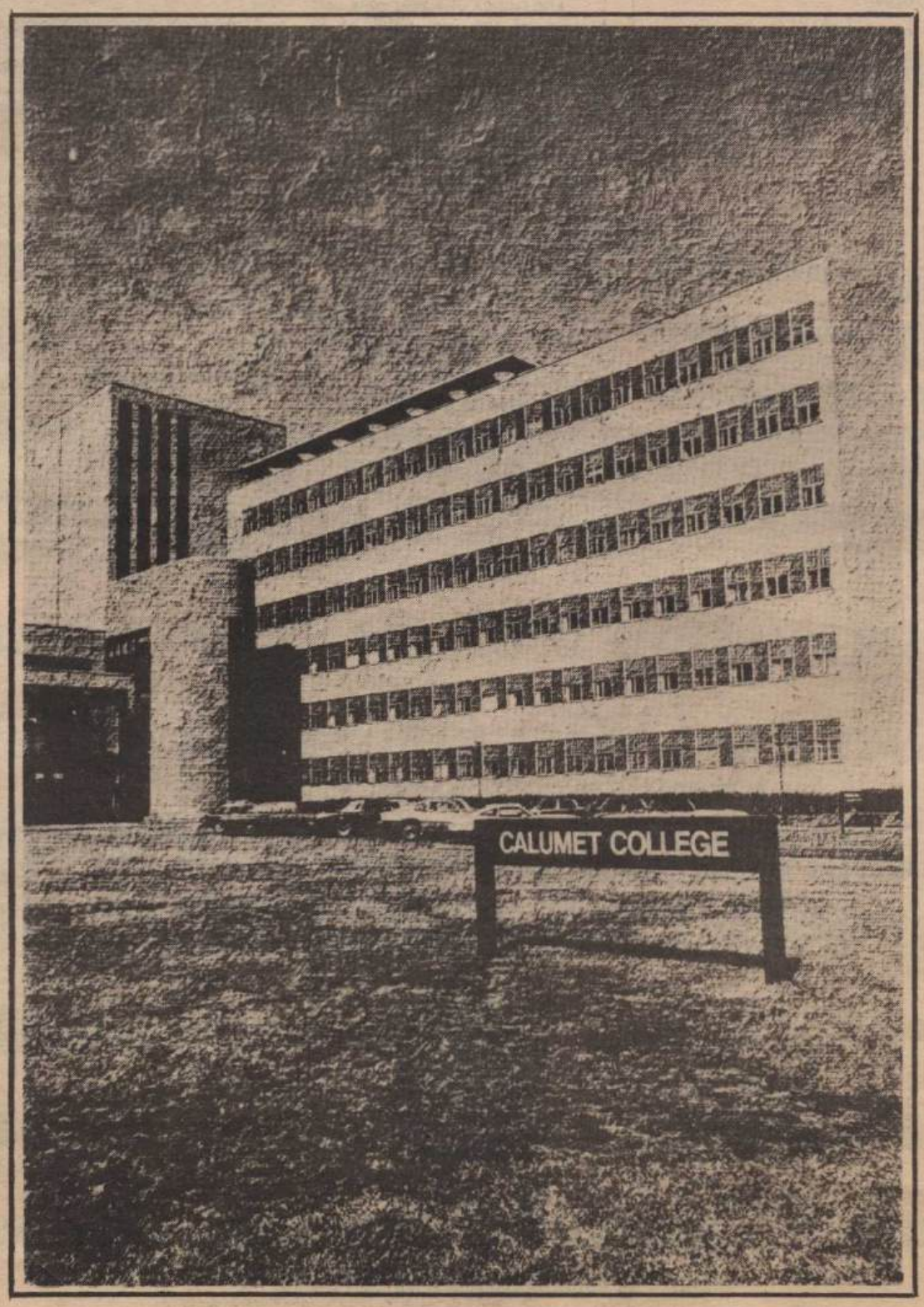
congratulations and prayerful best wishes to the Diocese of Gary on the Silver Jubilee of its founding, and to Bishop Andrew G. Grutka on the anniversary of his consecration as its first Bishop.



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OSF, and Sister Roseanne Kmetz, SS. C.M.

A dinner for the jubilarians was held after the Mass. The ceremonies were sponsored by the Sisters' Council of the Diocese.

June

Two men were ordained as Deacons in preparation for the reception of the Order of the Priesthood, in their respective parishes. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the ordaining prelate.

Mr. Theodore Nordquist was ordained to the diaconate at a 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, June 2 in St Bridget Church, Hobart. He is the son of Arthur and the late Margaret Nordquist of 634 South Pennsylvania St. in Hobart.

The following day, June 3, Mr. Sammie Maletta was ordained a Deacon during a 11:30 a.m. Mass celebrated at Nativity of Our Savior Church in Portage. He is the son of Sammie and Theresa Maletta of 2768 Vivian in Portage.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka addressed the 1979 graduating class of Andrean High School at commencement exercises held Sunday, June 3 in the Andrean auditorium.

Heading the list of graduates were Emilio Justo, Valedictorian, and John Volan, Salutatorian.

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The Serra Club of Gary, which was chartered on July 28, 1954 observed its Silver Jubilee on June 8 at ceremonies conducted at the St. Thomas Council Knights of Columbus in Hobart.

The observance, marking the Club's 25th year of service to the Church in the promotion of vocations to the religious life, consisted of a festive banquet at which members recalled some of the activities over the past quarter of a century.

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Rev. Patrick H. Maloney, C.S.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Maloney of Crown Point, and associate professor of music at the University of Notre Dame, celebrated the 25th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on June 9. He was ordained a Holy Cross priest at Notre Dame on June 9, 1954.

Father Maloney celebrated a Mass of Thanksgiving with his classmates in the chapel of the Moreau Seminary at Notre Dame.

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Rev. Mr. Jose Antonio Valtierra of 812 Tennessee St. in the Diocese of Gary on Saturday, June 30 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels in Gary. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka administered the Sacrament of Holy Orders at the 10:30 a.m. Mass of Ordination.

Father Valtierra is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jose Dolores Valtierra of 812 Tennessee St. In Gary, members of St. Luke Parish.

FAREWELL TO PILGRIM VIRGIN — Members of the Blue Army and some of the diocesan clergy escort the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima onto the grounds of Father Eckert Field at Andrean High School. A Rosary Rally on June 26, 1980, attended by Catholics from all parts of the Diocese, climaxed the diocesan tour of the statue which began on June 1.

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Dedication ceremonies for the Seimetz Renewal Center, a diocesan retreat house in Hammond were conducted on Sunday, June 24.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka officiated at the dedication ceremonies. An open house, including tours of the new facility was held, immediately following the dedication.

Rev. Timothy Benante, founding director of the center, reports that many volunteers have assisted him during the past months in readying the building for dedication. Located in the Bishop Noll Institute complex at 1441 Hoffman Street in Hammond, the center is designed to accommodate up to 50 persons for various programs, such as days of recollection of evenings of reflection. For longer retreats, facilities for 32 overnight guests are offered.

July

Requiem Mass was offered on July 9 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne for Msgr. George J. Moorman, a former pastor in the Diocese of Gary.

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This Historic Occasion

Of a Silver Anniversary

Your Devoted and Loyal Flock
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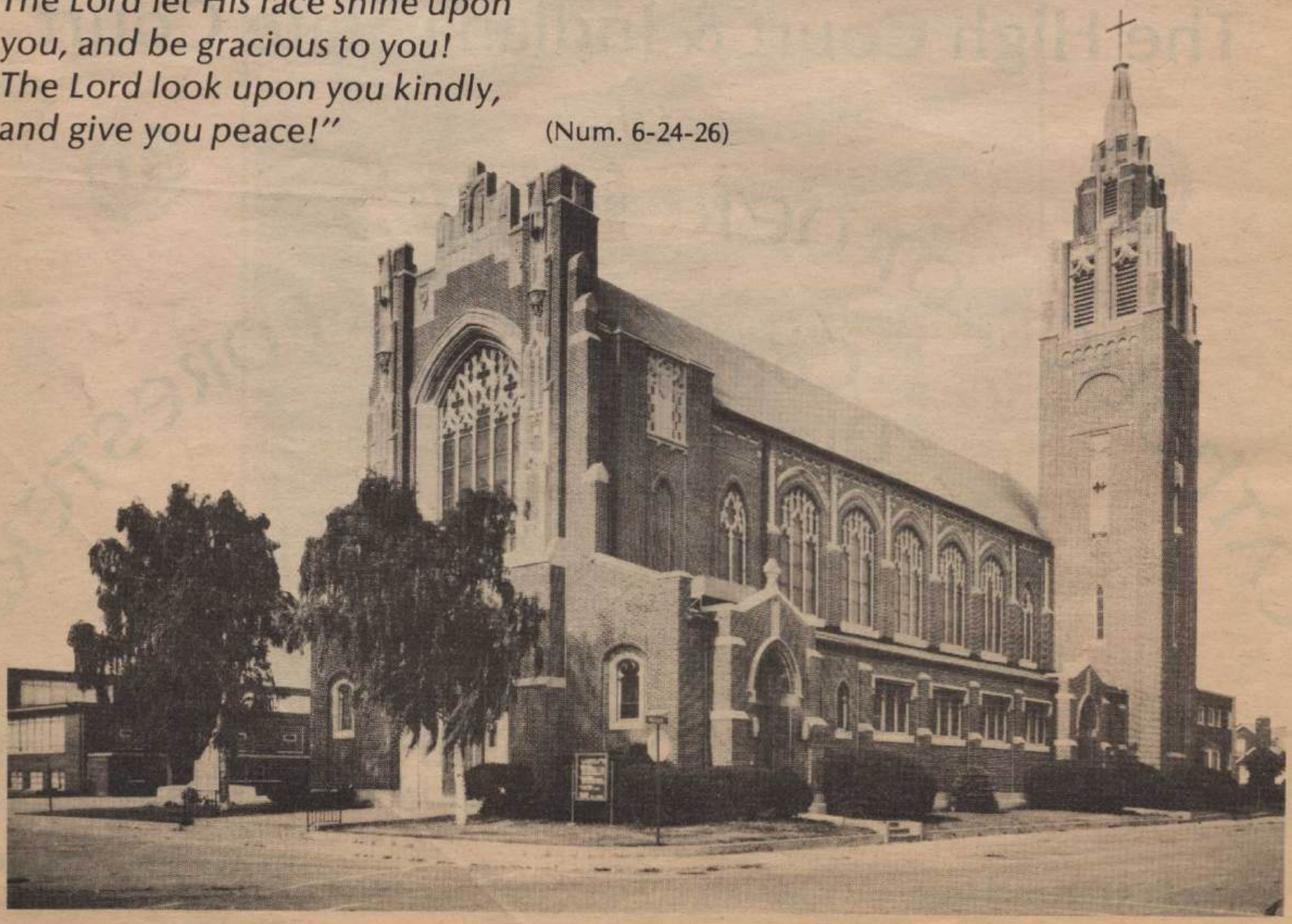
"The Lord bless you and keep you!
The Lord let His face shine upon
you, and be gracious to you!
The Lord look upon you kindly,
and give you peace!" (Num. 6-24-26)



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Msgr. Moorman, 95, died Thrusday, July 5 in Fort Wayne, where he had resided for the past several months. Previous to this he was a resident at St. Anthony Hospital in Michigan City where, last October, he celebrated his 95th birthday and the 70th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood.

Msgr. Moorman held pastorates at St. Mary Parish in Michigan City and at Sacred Heart in Whiting.

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Ground breaking ceremonies for the new parish hall at Assumption Parish in New Chicago were conducted on Sunday, July 8. Father John Murzyn, Assumption Pastor and Father Ralph Hoffmann, Vicar of the Gary Vicariate turned the first spade full of earth at the ceremonies. Final construction on the hall is expected to be completed some time in late Fall.

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Sister Marilyn Renninger was elected Superior General of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart. In her post she will head the congregation of 308 members serving in health, education and seminary work in the United States and South America.

As an elementary school teacher Sister Marilyn taught at St. Joseph School in Dyer.

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Holy Mass was celebrated on Sunday, July 15 in the chapel of the Bailly Homestead in the Indiana Dunes State Park. Father Charles Doyle, Pastor of St. Ann of the Dunes Parish in Beverly Shores was the celebrant.

In the early 1800s the Bailly Homestead was the only outpost of Catholicism between Detroit and Fort Dearborn (the present city of Chicago). Visiting Jesuit priests often stopped there to celebrate Mass. Joseph Bailly, the first European settler, fur trader, and missionary in northern Indiana established the Homestead in 1822.

August

Sister M. Rosanne and Sister Irene Rose, the former Margaret and Irene Kmetz, daughters of Mrs. Elizabeth Kmetz of Merrillville and the late John Kmetz celebrated the 25th anniversary of their profession in the Congregation of the Sisters of Saints Cyril and Methodius at a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated at Holy Trinity Church in Gary on August 5.

Sister Irene Rose is presently teaching at Holy Trinity School, and Sister Rosanne teaches at Immaculate Conception School in Whiting.

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Two men were ordained as priests of the Diocese of Gary on Saturday, August 18, at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels in Gary.

At the 10:00 a.m. Mass of Ordination Bishop Andrew G. Grutka administered the Sacrament of Holy Orders to Rev. Mr. Stephen J. Titko of Hobart, and Rev. Mr. Robert J. Tokarz of Hammond.

Father Titko is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen M. Titko of 413 Ruta Drive in Hobart. The family are members of St. Joseph the Worker Parish in Gary.

Father Tokarz is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tokarz of 4409 Towle Ave., Hammond. The family are members of St. Casimir Parish.

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Requiem Mass was celebrated on Saturday, July 28 at Immaculate Conception Church in East Chicago for Monsignor Michael A. Camagna, founding pastor of that parish, and founder-director of Hoosier Boys Town in Schererville. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka concelebrated the Mass with several priests of the Diocese.

Monsignor Campagna, 74, died Wednesday, July 25 at Boys Town. He had been ill for several months.

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Rita Walsh Foley, lecturer and author of religion texts conducted a one-day session for elementary grade catechists of the Diocese of Gary. The workshop was held on Monday, August 20 at St. Andrew Parish in Merrillville.

Sponsored by the Religious Education/CCD Office of the Diocese of Gary, the workshop focused on creative ideas for teaching, and on leading children to pray.

September

The annual Hungarian Pilgrimage to the Seven Dolors Shrine in South Haven was conducted on Sunday, Sept. 9. The pilgrimage is sponsored by the Holy Trinity Hungarian Parish in East Chicago, and the pastor, Rev. Alphonse Skerl is the moderator.

Activities of the day began with a 11:00 a.m. Mass at the grotto, followed in the afternoon by the Way of the Cross and Benediction.

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Dedication and blessing of the newly completed St. Joan of Arc church in Merrillville took place on Sunday, Sept. 9. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka presided at the ceremonies.

Following the blessing and dedication, the first Mass in the new church was concelebrated by Bishop Grutka, the pastor, Rev. Gerald A. Sroka, and Rev. Emil Bloch, pastor of St. Andrew Parish in Merrillville.

Ground was broken for the new church, located at 200 East 78th Place, just one year ago on Sept. 10, 1978. St. Joan of Arc Parish was established in 1968, when Rev. Alfred J. Dettmer was assigned to found the parish and be the first pastor.

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A Christian Renewal Mission began at Holy Name Church in Cedar Lake on Sept. 16.

The mission was conducted by Capuchin Father Richard Hart, Director of Preaching for the Midwest Capuchins.

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A Chancery announcement revealed the appointment of Rev. George C. Muresan as Episcopal Vicar of the East Chicago Vicariate. In the position Father Muresan will serve as a deputy for the Bishop of the Diocese in the East Chicago area. He succeeds Rev. Thomas Hunt, S.C.J., who is leaving the Diocese to do pastoral work in Houston, Texas.

Father Muresan is Pastor of St. Nicholas Romanian Byzantine Rite Parish in East Chicago.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was among the principal concelebrants at a Mass when Pope John Paul II elevated Czechoslovakian Archbishop Jozef Tomko to the episcopacy in the Sistine Chapel in Rome, on Sept. 15. The Archbishop will be Secretary General of the Bishops' Synod.

Bishop Grutka assisted the Pope and Archbishop Eduardo Martinez Somalo, Vatican Undersecretary of State, in the late afternoon ordination ceremony which was attended by 21 cardinals, 60 bishops and nearly 600 relatives and friends of the new archbishop.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka announced creation of a Family Life Commission for the Diocese of Gary. The Commission is assigned to plan for 1980 as the 'Year of the Family.' It includes representatives from groups who are involved in family ministry, as well as representatives from the Vicariates.

Vicariate representatives include Mr. and Mrs. George Rogers and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Whyatt from the Gary Vicariate. The Hammond-Whiting Vicariate is repre-

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GREETINGS

Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.

Present and active at Your Excellency's Consecration as the First Bishop of the Diocese of Gary on February 25, 1957, we pledged our fidelity with: 'AD MULTOS ANNOS'! Today, February 25, 1982, on the happy occasion of Your Excellency's Silver Jubilee as Bishop of the Diocese of Gary, we extend our heartiest congratulations, and we renew our pledge of fidelity with: 'AD MULTOS ANNOS'!

St. Thomas Council Knights of Columbus

The Sisters of Mercy,
Divisional Board And Administration
of
Our Lady of Mercy Hospital
are deeply grateful to our
Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka
for his years of service
and we wish him
Good, Rich Life in
Our Common Lord

SILVER JUBILEE

Diocese of Gary

February 21, 1982

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sented by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Barlo, the LaPorte Vicariate by Mr. and Mrs. Lou Whitehead, the Porter Vicariate by Mr. and Mrs. Alex Saims, and the South Lake Vicariate by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Codespoti.

The group representatives on the Commission are: Father Joseph Semancik, Catholic Charities; Father John Murzyn, the Catholic Charities Advisory Board; Anne Novak, Catholic Family Service; Barbara Kruszynski and Mary Libauskas, Catholic Youth Organization; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Maldoon, the Christian Family Movement; Father Patrick Gaza and Sister Grace Clemens, the Religious Education/CCD Program; Mr. and Mrs. Jack McGuckin, Couple-to-Couple League; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Codespoti, Cursillo Movement; Mary Briggs, DCCW; Mr. and Mrs. William Saragosa, Family Enrichment Program; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Renner, Parish Outreach Committee; Father Joseph Murphy, Priests' Senate; Sister Carol Marie, Sisters' Senate; Mr. and Mrs. John Rossbach, Worldwide Marriage Encounter, and Father Gerald Schweitzer.

October

Sixty nine busloads of people, from all points in the Diocese of Gary departed Friday, October 5 for Pope John Paul II's Mass in Chicago's Grant Park.

Four priests from the Diocese were privileged to assist in the distribution of Holy Communion at the Mass: Rev. John J. Siekierski, Officialis of the Diocese and Pastor of St. Theresa Parish, Shelby; Rev. Albert H. Van Nevel, Pastor of Our Lady of Grace Parish, Highland; Rev. Robert P. Gehring, Pastor of St. Mary Parish, East Chicago, and Rev. Patrick J. Connolly, Principal of Bishop Noll Institute, Hammond.

Before coming to Chicago, the Holy Father celebrated Holy Mass on Thursday, October 4 in the Civic Center in Philadelphia, especially for priests and seminarians.

A delegation of priests from the Diocese of Gary, headed by the Vicar General, Msgr. Casimir E. Senderak, were in attendance at the Mass. Msgr. Senderak concelebrated the Holy Eucharist with the Pope.

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The International Year of the Child was the focus for the Seventh Biennial Convention of the Gary Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. The one-day gathering of women from Lake, Porter, LaPortge and Starke counties took place on Wednesday, October 17 at the Nativity of Our Savior Parish in Portage.

Keynote speaker for the meet was Rev. Robert Charlebois, Assistant to the Executive Director of Catholic Relief Services.

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Carl J. Yurechko received the

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REDEDICATION CEREMONIES — A hundred Sisters gathered at St. Mary Church in East Chicago in September of 1980 for the Liturgy of the Mass, and to rededicate their lives and services to God and His Church in the Diocese of Gary. During the Mass celebrated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, Rev. Gerald Sroka, Vicar for Religious in the Diocese, and Rev. Robert Gehring, Pastor of St. Mary Church, seventeen sisters were commissioned to the special ministry of distributing Holy Communion to the sick, elderly and dying. The Sisters commissioned are bottom row, left to right) Sisters Kathleen Kelley, PHJC; Julitta Pinakkattu, CMC; Marie McGuigan, SBS; Mary Edward Mason, PhJC; Francis de Sales Prindville, CSC; Lenore Schwartz, OSF; middle row: Sisters Josie Thalody, CMC; Fidelia Anthinad, CMC; Bonaventa Kazmierski, SSJ; Veronica Wagner, SSND; Bonita Boilini, PHJC; (top row) Sisters Dolores Marie Rathnow, CSC; Yvonne Garrity, CSC; Arlene Kniola, CSC; Adalbert Stal, SSJ; Bishop Andrew G. Grutka; Sisters Gerard Greskovic, SSCM, and Josephine Mulcahey, OSF.

The Serra Clubs of Gary, the Calumet Area, and Michigan City offer our cordial congratulations to His Excellency, the Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D., and to the people of the Diocese of Gary on our 25th Anniversary.

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May God show us the way to grow, and may we give Him many more Priests and Sisters from our Diocese.

Congratulations and Prayerful Best Wishes On the Occasion of the Silver Jubilee Of the Founding of Our Diocese And the Consecration of Our Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka As Its First Bishop

AD MULTOS ANNOS

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH
Gary, Indiana

From the Pastor, Reverend Louis Madejczyk; the Sisters, the members of Blessed Sacrament Parish, the faculty and students of Blessed Sacrament School, and members of the parish societies:

Holy Name Society
Rosary Sodality
Home and School Association
Parish Activities Society
Choir

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annual Columbian Award presented by the St. Thomas Council Knights of Columbus in Hobart.

The award, presented each year by the council, seeks to honor one of its members who has noticeably distinguished himself in service to the Church, the civic community, and the council. It was presented to Yurechko at the annual Columbus Day Banquet on Sunday, October 14.

Yurechko and his wife Betty reside in Merrillville and are members of Holy Trinity Parish in Gary. They are the parents of five children, two girls and three boys. Carl is employed at the U.S. Steel Sheet and Tin Mill as an inspector in the metallurgical department.

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Rev. Beranrd R. Ciesielski of the Carmelite Fathers stationed at the Carmelite Monastery and Shrines in Munster marked 50 years in the Carmelite Religious Order on Sunday, October 21.

Father Ciesielski celebrated an anniversary Mass on that day at St. Thomas More Church in Munster.

Father Ciesielski developed and directed the building of the Carmelite Shrines at 1628 Ridge Road in Munster.

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The Slovak-American Cultural Center in New York honored Bishop Andrew G. Grutka with its Award of General Milan R. Stefanik.

Presentation of the award took place on Sunday, October 28 at the Hotel Biltmore, as a part of the Cultural-Artistic Celebration. Bishop Grutka received the award in recognition of his attention and personal involvement in Slovak institutions, organizations, publications and events.

General Milan R. Stefanik is one of the most honored personalities in Slovak history. He, along with philosopher-politicians Dr. Thomas Masaryk and Dr. Edward Benes, is acknowledged as a builder of the first Czecho-Slovak Republic after World War I.

November

The Family Life Commission for the Gary Diocese conducted Family Hearings on Sunday, Nov. 11, in each of the Vicariates.

The hearings were conducted to explore the concerns and problems of singles and couples of all ages, new parents, school age families, parents with grown children, and retirement families.

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A total of 474 Elementary teachers and 165 High School teachers gathered at Bishop Noll Institute for the first of two In Service Days planned for the teachers in the Diocese of Gary Schools this year.

The High School and Elementary teachers followed separate schedules for the day which began at 9:00 a.m. with opening comment by Rev. Patrick J. Connolly, Principal of Bishop Noll, and Superintendent of Schools, Rev. F. Raymond Fowerbaugh.

Morning and afternoon workshops available to the Elementary teachers were concerned with the various aspects of in-school testing.

Secondary teachers from Andrean, Bishop Noll, and Marquette Highs Schools met for inter-school departmental discussions. Communicating ideas, sharing problems, comparing thoughts, and curriculum discussions were the focal points of these meetings.

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St. Monica Parish in Gary honored its employees at a special Recognition Night held Nov. 3 at Blessed Sacrament Hall. Eighteen employees were given recognition, especially Mrs. Lucille Luckett who has recently retired after 25 years as parish housekeeper.

Also honored were: Mrs. Earline Owens, choir director — 30 years; Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament school faculty — 35 years; Mr. Jewell Blackwell, Credit Union president — 20 years; Mrs. Betty Looney, Credit Union secretary — 20 years; Mr. Chalres Holmes, parish sacristan — 20 years; Mrs. Opal Rogers, convent housekeeper — 16 years; Mrs. Earnestine Williams, teacher — 10 years; Mrs. Glindolyn Johnson, secretary — 9 years; Mr. haywood Hill, custodian — 9 years; Mrs. Juanita Vincent, organist — 7 years; Mrs. Marilyn Hall, teacher — 6 years; Mrs. Karen Artis, teacher — 5 years.

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Leslie Bodnar, physician for

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CHRISTIANITY

I do not contend that everybody can be converted by reason, but I do contend that some people can be converted by reason. I do not regard Christianity purely as a system of thought; I regard Christianity as a way of life and a system of thought.

— Arnold Lunn: *Now I See.*

We are Christians and Catholics not because we worship a key, but because we have passed a door; and felt the wind that is the trumpet of liberty blow over the land of the living.

— Gilbert Keith Chesterton: *The Everlasting Man*, 2, 4.

May God
be with you
for another
25 Years

From Msgr. Jos. Ryder Council No. 4047
Knights of Columbus
Adam Gutjahr Jr., Grand Knight

Happy 25th Anniversary
Bishop Grutka and the
Diocese of Gary

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of
Christ the King
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We would like to congratulate
and join in the celebration
of the Silver Anniversary
of the Diocese of Gary
and of its first
Spiritual Shepherd,
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka

From Walter J. Prisby, *President*,
Directors, Officers,
and all of our Employees

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Valparaiso, Indiana
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CONGRATULATIONS
from
Our Lady of
Guadalupe Parish

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EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

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the University of Notre Dame athletic teams discussed 'When the Injured Athlete Can Resume Play' at the opening session of the St. Margaret Hospital Sports Medicine Symposium. The symposium was held on consecutive Tuesdays, Nov. 13 and 20 in the Walnut Room at St. Margaret.

The hospital sponsored the symposium as a public service to coaches, athletic trainers, and allied health personnel who deal regularly with athletes and athletic injuries.

December

Requiem Mass was offered on Wednesday, Dec. 5 at St. Mary Church in Griffith for Msgr. Leo P. Hildebrandt, P.A., a former pastor there.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was principal celebrant of the Mass, assisted by Rev. Richard F. Zollinger, Pastor of St. Mary, and other priests of the Diocese.

Msgr. Hildebrandt died Monday, Dec. 3 at St. Mary rectory where he had resided as Pastor Emeritus since his retirement in 1977. He was 81.

A priest for 55 years, he served for 40 of those years as pastor of St. Mary, having received his assignment there on April 7, 1932.

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The Serra Club of the Calumet Area celebrated its 30th anniversary with a dinner held on Dec. 8 at the Mural Room of the St. John Parochial Center in Whiting.

Speakers at the dinner were Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and Dr. James Hanlon, president of Marian College in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

The Serra Club of the Calumet area was organized in the Fall of 1948, and was officially chartered in January of 1949.

The anniversary celebration began with the celebration of a 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. John the Baptist Church.

Serra International and its subordinate clubs comprise a voluntary association of Catholic laymen whose purpose is to foster vocations to the priesthood and religious life and to promote Christian leadership in all walks of life.

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The 85 parishes in the Diocese of Gary collected 176, 418 pounds of clothing during the 1979 Thanksgiving Week Clothing Drive, it was announced by Father Joseph Semancik, director of the annual drive.

The largest collection in the Diocese, 13,000 pounds came from St. Paul Parish in Valparaiso. The second largest donation was collected at Nativity of Our Savior Parish in Portage where parishioners amassed a total of 8,925 pounds of clothing.

7,700 pounds were collected at St. Joseph Parish in LaPorte. This was followed by St. Mary in Crown Point where 6,900 pounds were donated.

The clothing will be distributed to needy persons overseas by the Catholic Relief Services.

NEWLY ORDAINED DEACONS — The first class of Permanent Deacons for the Diocese of Gary was ordained on February 22, 1981 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels. Pictured are, front row, left to right: Joseph Rapal, Melvin Clark, James Keough, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, Dennis Hawkins, John McGuckin, David Brown, and Robert O'Donnell. Back row: Joel Paulson, Michael Richardson, Rafael Godinez, Arthur Weeks, Robert Bucheit, Joseph Codespoti, program director Rev. William Martin, and John Roscoe.

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The Seimetz Renewal Center conducted an afternoon of reflection for the Sisters of the Diocese on Sunday, Dec. 23. Father Timothy Benante, director of the Center addressed the Sisters and was celebrant of a Liturgy at 4:00 p.m.

1980

January

Two Sisters serving in the Diocese of Gary were among ten members of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ who departed for Thailand on a three-month visa to serve the Cambodian refugees as nurses and child care workers.

Sister Carole Langhauser, a nurse serving in the intensive care unit at St. Catherine Hospital in East Chicago was assigned to the Kao i dang camp where starving children require intensified feeding every hour.

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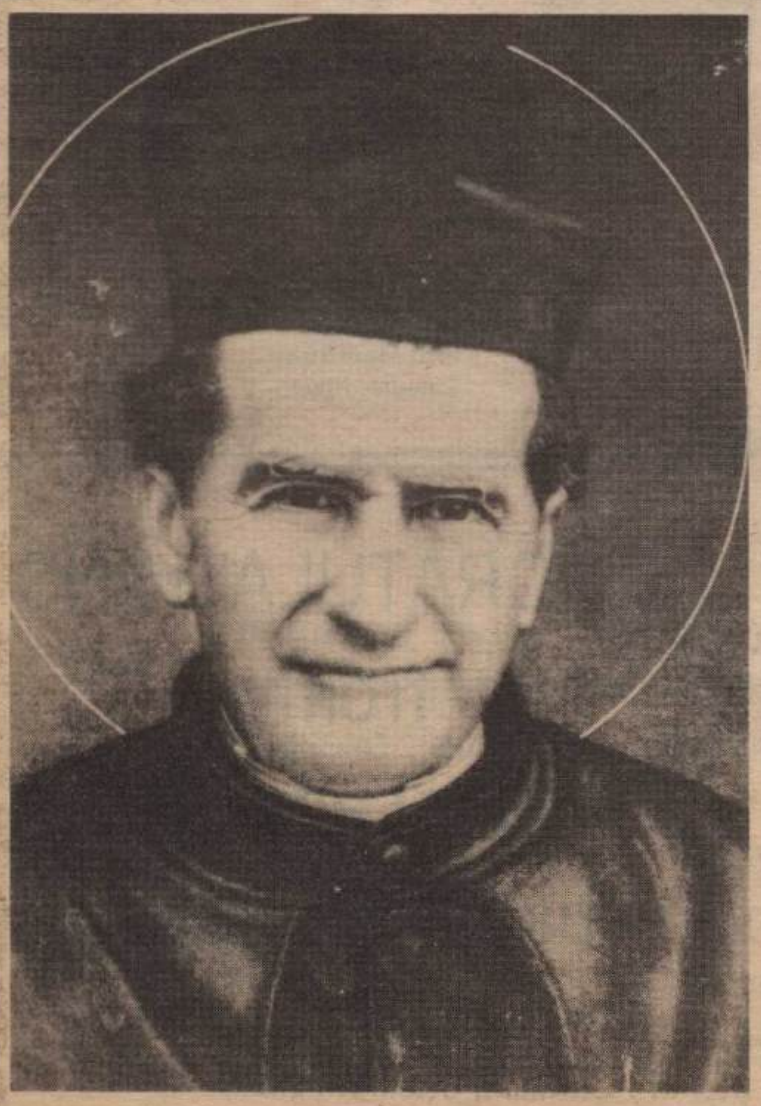

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SILVER AND GOLD, The Diocese of Gary and CYO — a great combination. As the Northwest Indiana Catholic Youth Organizaton marks its 50th anniversary this year, we honor the progress of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka in his ministry to the people of the Diocese, especially young people. Together this dedication has spawned such programs as Camp Lawrence, band, Sheil Club, CYA, sports, teen volunteers, Pal Joey clowns, baton classes and charm schools, ACYA, Geri-Antics, many others . . .

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Sister Carmeline Parisi, a nurse aide at St. Catherine Hospital is among five Sisters in child care work who will be assisting in the operation of a new orphanage that is taking care of children separated from their parents.

The Sister volunteers will be working under the auspices of Catholic Relief Services, according to Sister Stephen Brueggeman, Provincial of the Order, who is in residence at St. Catherine Hospital.

A Funeral Liturgy was celebrated on Friday, January 11 at SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Merrillville for the Pastor, Rev. Eugene C. Hoffman. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant.

Father Hoffman, 50, died suddenly on Wednesday, January 9 of a heart ailment. He had not been ill prior to the attack, and was actively involved in the administration of his parish until the time of his death.

He had been pastor at the Merrillville parish since March 1, 1977.

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Recognizing a long career of service in the Knights of Columbus, an appreciaiton dinner was held Saturday, January 26 for Paul A. Reibly, of Valparaiso, former Vice Supreme Master of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus at the K. of C. Hall in Valparaiso.

Reibly retired recently after serving for 10 years as Vice Supreme Master of the Father Edward F. Sorin Province, comprising the states of Indiana, Kentucky and West Virginia. Prior to this, Reibly was Master of the Northern District of Indiana for seven years.

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The Northwest Indiana Catholic Youth Organization honored 27 youth leaders at its 32nd Installation and Awards Banquet held January 27 at the Blessed Sacrament Social Hall in Gary. Toastmaster Tom Higgins welcomed the crowd of 273 to the program making the CYO's 48 years of service to young people.

Dr. William Sabo announced the winners of the 1980 Father Vincent Mooney Service Award: Catherine Leonard, Esther Meier, Mr. and Mrs. Al Lepp, Judy Marosi, Dennis Heckler, Albert Horvat, Mary Jarosz, Carl Spudic, Ginny Haviley, Brian Nelson, Terry Burns, Dianne Lindenmeyer, Gerry Scheub, and Dick Neville.

The Monsignor Grothouse Youth Award was presented to five young people: Willie Owens, Laura Marosi, Sharon Ratajczak, Tina O'Drobinak, and Mary Wilkins.

The CYO Community Service Award, given to those who have served youth through thier job, went to Frank Pinson for his work with the Midtown Gary Senior Little League, and to WWCA's Tom Higgins.

Three CYO Board members were honored with the Pro Deo et Juventute Award. Executive Director Father William Martin presented this award to Leo Bogee, Gloria Purnell and outgoing Board President Mary Ann Nickologg.

The CYO's highest accolade, the St. John Bosco Award, went to Andy Kirk for his 20 years as athletic trainer at Andrean High School, and to Barbara Zawierucha, for her service to youth on the CYO Board of Directors, and at Blessed Sacrament Parish.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka officially installed the members of the diocesan Family Life Commission on Sunday, Jan. 27, at the Seimetz Renewal Center in Hammond. Highlighting the para-liturgical service were the pledges made by the commission members. They promised to be "visible witnesses to parish families through prayer, service and example and to assume and fulfill all the responsibilities of a member of the Family Life Commission." In response to the pledges, Bishop Grutka blessed the members and pledged his support to their endeavors.

The newly commissioned members include: President couple, Joseph and Theresa Codespoti; Vice President couple, Peggy and Jack McGuckin, and Secretary-Treasurer, Father Joseph Semancik. The members are: Eleanor and Stephen Bolanowski, Mrs. Mary Briggs, Sr. Grace Clemens, OSF; Father Raymond Fowerbaugh, Father Patrick Gaza, Jacob and Mary Kochis, Barbara Kruszysnki, Mary Libauskas, Dorothy and Raymond Maldoon, Sr. Carol Marie Walsh, SS.C.M.; Barbara and Thomas McNeil and Father Murzyn.

Also on the Commission are: Anne Novak, Juanita and Lupe Prieto, Martin Quinn, John and Nancy Rassbach, Betty and Richard Renner, Jane and Alex Saims, Father Gerald Schwertzer, Father John Siekierski, Dorothy and Victor Travis, Father Joseph Viater, Suzanne and Lewis Whitehead, Catherine and Michael Wyatt and Corina and William Zaragoza.

The Commission is staffed by Jutta Mulcahey and Andrea Shappell of Catholic Charities/Catholic Family Service.

February

Croatians in the Gary area observed the 20th anniversary of the death of Aloysius Cardinal Stepinac, Sunday, Feb. 10 at St. Joseph the Worker Church in Gary.

A concelebrated Liturgy took place at 11:00 a.m., with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka as the principal celebrant. Bishop Grutka delivered the English homily and the Pastor, Rev. Benedict Benakovic spoke in the Croatian language.

A brief program and social gathering in the church hall followed the Mass. The former editors of 'Nasa Nada,' the official publication of the Croatian Catholic Union, Stanley and Helen Boric, spoke on the life of Cardinal Stepinac.

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Three hundred eighth grade students from Indiana and Illinois converged on Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond to compete in the 18th Annual BNI Invitational Mathematics Tournament.

Contestants from 17 communities vied to test their math skills. The Sophomore Math Club at Noll hosted the tournament.

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Twenty first and second division ratings in 21 different events were garnered by students from Andrean High School at the Northern Indiana School Band Orchestra and Vocal Association solo and ensemble contests held at Lew Wallace High School in Gary and at Highland Junior High School.

Andrean students received a first or superior ratings in 15 events, a second or excellent rating in five events, and a third or good rating in one event.

Students receiving first division ratings were: Kristine Kallamani, Marita Jao, Michael Hite, Steve Volan, Douglas Pishkur, Steffanie Franz, Addison McGuffin, Catherine Zuran, Jonathan Swanson, Ruben Fontanez and Rose Kesel.

Second division winners were: Vince Amore, Carol Candiano, Thomas Chustak, Sheila Quinn, and Julie Chustak.

Willie Owens, a junior alto saxophone soloist, received a seven point or perfect first division rating at the district level.

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Marti Palmateer, Youth Services Coordinator for the Northwest Indiana CYO was awarded the first annual Mark Furman Award at the Lake Area United Way's Campaign Awards and Recognition Dinner. The award, named for the late CYO director is presented yearly to a young adult who has been active with youth. Since joining the CYO staff, Ms. Palmateer has coordinated numerous projects, one of

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Pope John XXIII Council 1696,
Knights of Columbus,
Whiting, Indiana,
would like to congratulate
the Diocese of Gary on the
Silver Jubilee of its founding
and the consecration of
Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.,
as its first bishop.

Bernard Chiluski, *Grand Knight*
John Kovach, *Deputy Grand Knight*
Robert DuFallo, *President of the Corporation*

On the Silver Jubilee of the Gary Diocese &

the consecration of its first Bishop,
The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.,
the Sisters of Saint Francis of Perpetual Adoration offer congratulations and ask God's blessing.

The Sisters of Saint Francis of Perpetual Adoration is active world-wide in providing educational opportunities and meeting health care needs.

The Sisters are honored to have been a part of the history of the Gary Diocese since its establishment, and look forward to continuing their spiritual, educational and health care services to the people of this community.

". . . serving Christ through teaching and healing."

HOSPITALS
Saint Anthony Hospital
Michigan City

Saint Margaret Hospital
Hammond

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
CCD Office
Diocese of Gary

SCHOOLS
Our Lady of Grace School
Highland

Saint Casimir School
Hammond

Saint John School
St. John

Saint Joseph School
LaPorte

Saint Mary School
Griffith

Sisters of Saint Francis
of Perpetual Adoration
Saint Francis Convent
Mount Alverno
Mishawaka, Indiana

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which, 'Pal Joey,' a clown ministry program, has received special attention.

March

Two brothers, members of the Bishop Noll Institute Band, have been selected to participate in the 1980 Annual Indiana All State High Schoo Band sponsored by the Indiana Bandmasters Association. They are Frank Niemiec and Michael Niemiec, a senior and a junior, from Griffith.

The students earned their position by participating in a highly competitive audition on a technically difficult solo, held Jan. 13 at one of eight centers throughout Indiana, then being selected by a committee of bandmasters from a total of over 400 entries.

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The annual Day of Recollection sponsored by the Gary Diocesan Council of Catholic Women was held on Wednesday, March 19 at St. John the Baptist Church in Whiting. Theme for the day was 'St. Joseph's Family and Ours.' Rev. Lawrence J. Kew, Pastor of Holy Name Parish in Cedar Lake was the featured guest speaker.

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Rt. Rev. Timothy Sweeney, O.S.B., Archabbot of St. Meinrad Archabbey, St. Meinrad, Indiana was the featured speaker at the 30th annual Saint Meinrad Alumni Dinner in the Gary-Chicago area on Monday, March 10.

The dinner was held at the Queen of All Saints School hall in Michigan City.

78 priests in the Diocese of Gary are alumni of St. Meinrad Seminary. Fifteen students from the Diocese are among the 344 students currently studying there.

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Major Marion McPherson, director of the Catholic Charities Referral Center in central Gary, was honored with a special award at the 10th Anniversary Dinner of Project Justice and Equality.

The award was presented to McPherson in appreciation of his services rendered to the community and to Project Justice and Equality. He is an original board member and a past treasure of the organization. For the past 13 years, Major McPherson has directed the Catholic Charities Referral Center at 1101 Monroe St. in Gary. The center provides material assistance to more than 600 needy individuals and families each year.

April

Sister M. Elizabeth Ann Bauman, CSC, a member of the Student Services staff at Bishop Noll Institute marked her Golden Jubilee as a Sister of the Holy Cross with a public reception on Sunday, April 13 at the Bishop Noll Convent.

Sister Elizabeth Ann entered the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross in 1928 and professed her religious vows on August 15, 1930.

Sister is presently completing her 17th year of service in the Dioeese of Gary. She served as principal at St. Mary High School (now Marquette High School) in Michigan City from 1952 to 1958, and again from 1967 to 1969. She was a member of the Student Services staff at Noll from 1965 to 1967, and from 1973 to the present time.

Three men from the Diocese of Gary were ordained to the Order of Deacon in Rome on Thursday, April 17.

Bishop Matthew H. Clark of Rochester, N.Y. ordained Mr. Stephen Gibson, Mr. Mark Mazza, and Mr. Thomas Mischler to the Diaconate at ceremonies at the Chapel of the North American College.

Upon completing their studies for the Bachelor of Sacred Theology Degree, all three men will pursue specific theological studies at one of several universities in the city of Rome.

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Oreal J. Crepeau, assistant to the president of Inland Steel, was the recipient of the 1980 St. Joseph the Worker Award presented by the Board of Directors of Calumet College.

The award was presented at the college's annual fund-raising dinner held on April 25 at the Marinique Ballroom in Evergreen Park, Illinois.

Each year, the award is given to a person or persons exemplifying the life of St. Joseph through a lifetime of devotion and dedication to their country, religion, family, and vocation.

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A Chancery announcement revealed the appointment of Rev. Alfonso Muniz, S.C.J. as Episcopal Vicar for the Spanish Speaking. In his position as Vicar, Father Muniz will serve as a deputy for the Bishop among the Spanish speaking people of the Diocese.

Father Muniz is pastor of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in East Chicago.

May

Calumet College held its annual Commencement exercises on Saturday, May 3 at the Bishop Noll Fieldhouse in Hammond. The Baccalaureate Mass was celebrated at 10:00 a.m., followed by the graduation ceremonies at noon.

A total of 260 degrees, including 181 bachelors and 79 associates were awarded during the ceremonies.

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Six priests of the Diocese celebrated anniversaries of their ordination to the priesthood at a Mass of Thanksgiving on May 13.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka concelebrated the Mass with the jubilarians at Sacred Heart Church in Whiting.

Golden jubilarian Rev. Joseph P. Smith marked his 50th year as a priest. Two other priests, Rev. Walter S. Mastey and Rev. Dominic A. Pallone celebrated their 40th year in the priesthood.

Silver jubilarians, marking their 25th year of service include Rev. F. Raymond Fowerbaugh. Rev. Alphonse Skerl, and Rev. Richard F. Zollinger.

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Mr. Walter M. Ciesla was ordained as a Deacon at Holy Trinity Church in Gary on Sunday, May 4. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the ordaining prelate.

Deacon Ciesla is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Casimir Ciesla of Hillside, N.N.

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The appointment of Rev. James P. McGrogan as Principal at Marquette High School in Michigan City was announced by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka on May 18, as he presided over Commencement exercises for the Marquette Class of 1980.

At the same time, the Bishop expressed his thanks for her years of dedicated service to Sister Marian Thomas Kinney, S.P., who has been Principal at Marquette for the past six years.

Father McGrogan, who eearned a Master's degree in Education from Xavier University in Cincinnati, Ohio has served as a full-time instructor at Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond and was Pastor of St. Andrew-St. Joan Parish in Merrillville and of Holy Name Parish in Cedar Lake. He served for two years as Principal of Bishop Noll Institute.

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Sister Mary Maurita Wszolek and Sister Mary Illuminata

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THE ENTIRE PARISH FAMILY OF ST. STANISLAUS CHURCH

EXTEND THEIR WARM WISHES AND

BEG GOD'S CHOICEST BLESSINGS AND GRACES

IN THE FUTURE TO YOU, YOUR EXCELLENCY,

AND TO ALL THE FAITHFUL PEOPLE

OF THE GARY DIOCESE ON THIS

YOUR 25TH ANNIVERSARY.

Rev. Joseph R. Niezgoda, Pastor
Rev. Paschal Grigus, O.F.M., Associate Pastor
Rev. Andrew Topor (Ret.)

St. Stanislaus Church
East Chicago, Indiana

THE LOCAL CHURCH

Don't take too seriously these distinctions between the periphery of the Church and the center of the Church. No one is at the periphery of the Church who is alive with its life of faith and love. There is no periphery. If you are in it at all, you are at the center, The Church is not a pie with a center, a periphery and arguable portions — . . . The Church is the single, living unified Body of Christ at work in the world; as a "body" it has parts but they are not dismembered. Christ is all and in all-not perfectly yet but more than the half-hearted think.

I used to love to hear read, during the ceremonies at the end of Masses on great feasts the papal blessings with its references to the local Church: "this Holy Church of Worcester," "this Holy Church of Hartford," "this Holy Church of Philadelphia," "this Holy Church of San Francisco." Be proud of the local Church to which you belong, but don't think of it as only a periphery. If your local Church is in communion with Rome, it is so intrinsically, so essentially, so vitally united to the center that it is all one, even as there is no divided Jesus Christ, the source and center of the Church of Hope.

— John Cardinal Wright (†August 10, 1979) *The Church: Hope of the World.*

God's Blessings

On Our Spiritual

Shepherd and His Flock

In This Jubilee Year

— The People of St. Ann Parish, Gary

ALLELUIA!

On the Silver Jubilee
of the Gary Diocese
and the consecration
of the
Most Rev. Andrew G. Grutka
as Bishop

— Gary Diocesan Pastoral Health Care Association

Journey to Jubilee

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Szczepaski, members of the staff at St. Anthony Medical Center in Crown Point celebrated 50 years as members of The Franciscan Sisters of Chicago on Saturday, May 31.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was celebrant of a solemn Pontifical Mass in the St. Anthony Chapel honoring the two jubilarians. Sister Maurita is a native of Gary, and was at one time the principal at Blessed Sacrament School in Gary. She presently serves as librarian of the medical library at St. Anthony.

Sister Illuminata, a licensed practical nurse, served the aged and infirm at St. Anthony from 1967 to 1961, and again from 1976 until the present time.

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Presentation of service awards and the election of officers were highlights of the State Convention of the Catholic Order of Foresters held at the Holiday Inn convention center in Merrillville.

A special plaque was presented to Mr. Louis Ameling for his dedicated service as Chief Ranger of the State Court for the past eight years.

New officers elected to serve for the next four years included: George Helfen, Court 102, Schererville, State Chief Ranger; Henry Huppenthan, Court 105, Cedar Lake, Vice Chief Ranger; James Kasper, Court 665, Merrillville, Secretary; Arthur Brost, Court 877, Ambia, Treasurer. Trustees elected were: Norman Sarrazine, Monroeville; Edward Pilotte, Fowler; Sam Ferrailo, Fort Wayne; Thomas Matthew, Remington; Betty Bohling, Schererville; Dennis Klein, Crown Point, and Rita Rogers, Schererville.

June

Mr. Frederick J. Hebert was ordained as a Deacon on Saturday, June 14 at St. Bridget Church in Hobart by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka.

Deacon Hebert is one of twelve children of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Hebert of 439 East 3rd Street, Hobart. The family are members of St. Bridget Parish and Deacon Hebert attended St. Bridget School.

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Fourteen candidates for the Permanent Diaconate were instituted into the ministry of Acolyte Sunday, June 29 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

The candidates instituted in the ceremony included: David R. Brown, Robert J. Bucheit, Melvin Clark, Joseph Codespoti, Rafael J. Godinez, Dennis P. Hawkins, James J. Keough, John D. McGuckin, Robert L. O'Donnell, Joel J. Paulson, Joseph Rapal, Michael E. Richardson, John D. Roscoe Sr., and Arthur Weeks.

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Father Ronald J. Schiml, C.PP.S., Vice President of Endowment/Realty at Calumet College in Hammond celebrated his 25th anniversary of ordination to the priesthood with a concelebrated Silver Jubilee Mass on Sunday, June 22 at St. John the Baptist Church in Whiting.

Father Schiml, a native of Dayton, Ohio has been associated with Calumet College since June of 1966, serving at various times as Director of the Foundation, Director of Development, Facilities Manager, and presently as Vice President of Endowment and Realty.

Father Schiml was ordained to the priesthood in the Society of the Precious Blood on June 11, 1955.

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The newly elected and appointed officers and Board Members of the Gary Diocesan Council of Catholic Women were installed by Rev. John J. Siekierski, Diocesan Moderator, at the eighth biennial Installation Banquet held on June 19 at Nativity of Our Savior Parish Hall in Portage.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka addressed the group of 230 women from the Diocese.

Elected officers installed included: Mrs. Joseph St. Lawrence, President; Mr. Bob Briggs, Recording Secretary; Mrs. James Cuttino, Treasurer, and Mrs. Agnes Myers, Auditor.

Also installed were the six vicariate presidents of the DCCW who will serve as Diocesan Vice Presidents. They are Mrs. Raymond Satkoski of Porter-Starke Vicariate; Mrs. Elsie Pavao of East Chicago Vicariate; Mrs. Stephen Brychell of the Gary Vicariate; Mrs. Mary Bell of Hammond-Whiting Vicariate; Mrs. Delores Gruse of LaPorte County Vicariate, and Mrs. Michael Germek of South Lake Vicariate.

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Catholics from all parts of the Diocese of Gary and from nearby Illinois gathered for an outdoor Rosary Rally at Andrean High School's Father Eckert Field in Merrillville on Thursday, June 26, in tribute to the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role of Our Lady of Fatima.

The occasion marked the farewell appearance of the world-renowned Pilgrim Virgin Statue which had visited 28 parishes and other facilities in the Diocese during

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**Congratulations to
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka
And the People of
the Diocese of Gary
As They Celebrate Their
Silver Jubilee**

We are pleased to have been of service in the preparations for the Silver Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving!

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The Parishioners, Priests and Religious of the Southlake Vicariate are united in prayers and congratulations celebrating the Silver Anniversary of our Beloved Bishop and Diocese.

Holy Name — *Cedar Lake*
St. Mary — *Crown Point*
St. Matthias — *Crown Point*
St. Joseph — *Dyer*
St. Maria Goretti — *Dyer*
St. Mary — *Griffith*
Our Lady of Grace — *Highland*
St. James — *Highland*
St. Edward — *Lowell*
Our Lady of Consolation — *Merrillville*
St. Andrew — *Merrillville*
St. Joan of Arc — *Merrillville*
St. Stephen, Martyr — *Merrillville*
Sts. Peter and Paul — *Merrillville*
St. Thomas More — *Munster*
St. John the Evangelist — *St. John*
St. Michael — *Schererville*
St. Theresa — *Shelby*

Till the end of our days, O Lord
we will bless your name,
sing your praise,
give you thanks,
on this the occasion
of the 25th Anniversary
of our Bishop Andrew
and the Diocese of Gary

from
St. Stephen Martyr Parish Family
Merrillville, Indiana
Father Bernard Shank, Pastor

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the past month.

The diocesan tour of the statue was sponsored by the Gary Diocesan Division of the Blue Army of Fatima.

July

Jacob J. Kochis of the Calumet Area Serra Club was elected to the Board of Trustees of Serra International at the organization's convention in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Gerald J. Murpho of London, England was inducted as the 1980-81 Serran International president at the convention.

Serra International is a Catholic layman's organization that fosters vocations to the religious life. There are 14,000 members in 31 countries.

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Members of Knights of Columbus councils in the Diocese of Gary were appointed to posts in the new administration of State Deputy Caran G. Siefert of Batesville, Indiana.

Bernard Gannon, Valparaiso will serve as state program director; Anthony Mrvan, East Chicago, community director and health services chairman; Paul Reibly, Valparaiso, public relations chairman, and Immediate Past State Deputy Thomas O'Rourke, Highland, chairman of new council development, ceremonials, tours, and the mentally retarded program.

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Administrative officials at St. Mary Medical Center in Gary and Hobart announced the acquisition of a sophisticated computerized X-ray machine known as a Computerized Tomographic Scanner (CAT).

The device will be housed on a semi-trailer truck, allowing portability and accessibility to patients at both St. Mary Medical Center facilities in Gary and Hobart.

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Catholic Family Services touched the lives of 2,663 families and individuals throughout northwest Indiana in 1979, reported Father Joseph Semancik, the agency's executive director.

Father Semancik presented highlights of the agency's work over the past year at the Catholic Family Service annual lay advisory board dinner.

August

St. Anthony Hospital in Michigan City welcomed Sister Jane Marie Klein, OSF as its new Administrator. Sister Jane Marie replaces Sister Mary Agnes, OSF, who has been reassigned at St. Margaret Hospital in Hammond.

Sister Jane Marie is an Indiana native, coming from Evansville. He last assignment was at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Lafayette, where she served as Assistant Administrator and Superior to the Sisters there.

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Two men were ordained as priests of the Diocese of Gary on

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We joyfully offer thanks
to the Lord
on this
SILVER JUBILEE
of the
GARY DIOCESE
and
BISHOP GRUTKA

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St. Nicholas Romanian Church
4309 Olcott Avenue
East Chicago, Indiana

Congratulations and
Best Wishes to
Bishop Grutka
and to the
People of the Diocese
on the occasion of the
Silver Jubilee
of the founding of
The Diocese of Gary

Sisters of the Holy Cross
Midwestern Region

A Silver Jubilee is an occasion which invites the joys of the past and the present and inspires bright hopes of a glorious future.

This joyous occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the Diocese of Gary and its Shepherd gives us a great honor and pleasure to express our congratulations and prayerful best wishes.

Viewing the splendid achievements of this cell of the Church, let the grateful heart echo the exultant "Magnificat."

May the Almighty God reward all who live and work here with boundless blessings and graces of his infinite love.

AD MULTOS ANNOS

With sentiments of esteem and renewed felicitations from
THE SALVATORIAN FATHERS — Merrillville

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Friday, August 15 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

At the ceremonies, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka ordained Rev. Mr. Sammie Maletta of Portage, and Rev. Mr. Theodore A. Nordquist of Hobart.

Sammie Maletta is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sammie L. Maletta Sr. of 2768 Vivian St. in Portage.

Theodore Nordquist is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nordquist, 634 Pennsylvania St., Hobart.

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The East Chicago Knights of Columbus, Monsignor Connelly Council No. 1700 contributed $25,000 to the Diocese of Gary Catholic Charities to help in developing a hospice program in the Diocese. An additional $3,000 was contributed by the East Chicago K. of C. Wives Club.

Mr. Ben Bochnowski, trustee of Council No. 1700, presented the donation to Bishop Andrew G. Grutka as a recent luncheon.

Hospice is a program designed to provide comfort and support for terminally ill patients and their families. The concept calls for an interdisciplinary team to meet the special needs rising out of the physical, emotional, spiritual, social and economic stresses which are experienced during the final stages of the illness and during the dying and bereavement. Care is provided around-the-clock for the terminally ill in their home, with the family as center.

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Edwin H. Huber of Crown Point was re-elected to a four-year term as a High Court Trustee of the Catholic Order of Foresters at the Order's 41st National Convention held August 4-6 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Active in COF since 1928, Huber served as a High Court Trustee from 1952 to 1960, and from 1964 until the present time. He was the first President of the Order's Northwestern Indiana Association and served as the Association's Chairman of the Board. He has held the position of Indiana State Chief Ranger, and Chief Ranger of St. Mary Court 239, Crown Point.

Huber is the owner of Huber's Department Store in Crown Point.

The Slovak Catholic Federation of the Diocese of Gary sponsored a Dinner-Concert held Saturday, September 20 at the Calumet College in Whiting.

Artists of Slovak-American heritage were featured in concert. They included Marienka Michna, Frances Mizenko, and Evelyn Lisek.

The evening was dedicated to Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, the first person of Slovak descent to become a member of the American hierarchy.

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Father Joseph Biltz, M.A., S.T.D. of Little Rock, Arkansas was the keynote speaker at the Family Day Conference held Sunday, September 28 at Bishop Noll Institute in Hammond. Father Biltz spoke on the topic of 'A Reframing of Family Ministry in Terms of Social Justice.'

Other highlights of the Conference included workshops, exhibits, a children's program and a liturgy.

October

Rev. Mr. Mark G. Mazza of Munster was ordained as a priest of the Diocese of Gary, Thursday, October 2 in St. Thomas More Church. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the ordaining prelate.

Father Mazza is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony S. Mazza of 1429 Tulip Lane, Munster.

Father Mazza celebrated his First Mass on Sunday, October 5 at St. Thomas More.

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St. John Cantius Parish in East Chicago celebrated its Diamond Jubiless on October 12. Highlight of the observance was a Jubilee Mass concelebrated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, the present pastor, Rev. Vladimir Janeczek, and former pastors, Rev. Stanley J. Dominik and Rev. Michael J. Tomaszewski.

The parish was founded at its present location, 139th and Main Street in the Indiana Harbor section of East Chicago in 1905.

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Bishop Leo A. Pursley of the Fort Wayne Diocese delivered the homily at the third annual Rosary March sponsored by the Gary Vicariate on Sunday, October 12.

The march was held at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Gary.

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Mrs. Mary Kasarda, long-time employee of the Gary Sunday Visitor, retired after over 23 years of service.

Mrs. Kasarda had served as Circulation Manager for the diocesan weekly since its establishment in 1957.

November

A Funeral Liturgy for Rev. Walter S. Pawlicki was concelebrated on Monday, November 3 at St. Adalbert Church in Whiting. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant, assisted by priests of the Diocese of Gary and two nephews of the deceased, Reverends James A. Dovick and Robert E. Dovick, both priests of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Father Pawlicki, 76, died on October 29 in the LaPorte Community Hospital in LaPorte. He had been retired from the priestly ministry since 1971. Father Pawlicki served for over 48 years as a priest.

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Mr. Leo McAuliffe was installed as an Honorary Life Member of the Board of Directors for the Thunderhouse Newman Center at Valparaiso University.

McAuliffe, who has made many outstanding contributions to the Center throughout the years, was honored at a Mass celebrated in his honor on the campus, and later at a dinner prepared by the students. He is a member of St. Paul Parish in Valparaiso.

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Two hundred and nine St. Mary Medical Center employees were feted at a Testimonial Dinner held on November 12.

Three individuals were honored for service totaling 40 years or more. Ann Visclosky of Gary has served in the hospital's dietary department for 44 years; Marguerite Bendt, RN., of Merrillville has served in surgery for 40 years; Frank Dobrosky of Portage, a boilertender, sports seniority of 40 years. Special honors were also bestowed on Sister M. Willibalda, PHJC, who has faithfully served St. Mary Medical Center for 62 years.

December

Cassandra Champion, a student at St. Mary School in East Chicago was the winner of the 15th CYO Spelling Bee Contest. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Champion of 4342 Magon Ave., correctly spelled 'obsolescence' and 'horticulturist' to take first place.

Anthony McKinley, a student at St. John the Evangelist School in St. John finished second. Third place was won by April Lashbrook,

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We are pleased to have supplied the commemorative badges for the Silver Jubilee Celebration of the Diocese of Gary and of the consecration of its first Bishop, Andrew G. Grutka

WHOSUR ASSOCIATES
Hammond, Indiana

Congratulations!
May God continue to bless you

— La Lumiere School

God Bless Our Diocese and Its Bishop

St. Mary Church
931 Merrill Street
Hammond, Indiana

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a student at St. Stanislaus School in East Chicago.

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Word was received from the Motherhouse of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ in Donaldson, Indiana of the death of Sister Mary Alphonsita, P.H.J.C. (Mary Washko).

Sister Mary Alphonsita entered the congregation on September 3, 1925 from St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Gary. She was invested with the habit July 21, 1926 and professed vows on June 28, 1928.

She entered the St. Louis College of Pharmacy in St. Louis, Missouri in 1930 and graduated in June, 1933. Sister served as a pharmacist at St. Catherine Hospital in East Chicago for 26 years.

1981

January

"We belong to a Universal Church," was the message of Doctor David Thomas to the Gary Family Life Commission and Guests. Doctor Thomas was reporting on the October World Bishops' Synod of Family Life at an open public meeting at SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Merrillville.

Thomas, Professor of Systematic Theology at St. Meinrad Seminary, and a graduate of Bishop Noll Institute, was one of two advisers representing the United States at the Rome conference.

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Donations to the annual Thanksgiving Clothing Drive in the Diocese totaled 150,205 pounds for 1980, reported Father Joseph Semancik, director of the Drive. Donations by individual parishes ranged from 200 pounds to the 9,000-pound contribution of St. Paul Parish in Valparaiso.

The clothing will be distributed by Catholic Relief Services to needy persons overseas in 86 countries.

February

St. Casimir School in Hammond participated in Catholic Schools Week, February 1 to 7. During the week, themed 'Catholic Schools — A Tradition,' the children and their families reflected on what it means to attend a Catholic school. Each day the school children presented a different program reflecting the theme of the week.

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St. John the Evangelist Parish's Home and School Association hosted a six-session Parent Education Workshop on Wednesday, from February 18 to April 1.

Ms. Pamela Lilec, Community Education Specialist, and Mr. John DiGangi, Director of Substance Abuse, Southlake Center for Mental Health, conducted the workshop.

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Over one hundred physicians on the staff of St. Catherine Hospital in Est Chicago were treated to dinner and dancing with their spouses at the hospital's recent Physician Recognition Dinner held at Wicker Park Social Cneter in Highland.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation of service awards to fourteen physicians who have been on St. Catherine's medical staff for forty years or longer.

Those honored were Dr. Arthur Payne of East Chicago, 53 years of service; Dr. Fay Boys of Naples, Florida, 52 years; Dr. John Zivich of Munster, 51 years; Dr. Ora Marks of Hammond, 47 years; Dr. Clementine Frankowski of Whiting, 46 years; Dr. Alfred Dainko of Whiting, 45 years; Dr. Donald Rudser of Whiting, 44 years; Dr. William Grosso of East Chicago, 44 years; Dr. Peter Stecy of Whiting, 43 years; Dr. Edward Cotter of Hammond, 43 years; Dr. Stanley Zallen of Munster, 42 years; Dr. John Ferry of Highland, 41 years; Dr. Edward Campagna of East Chicago, 41 years, and Dr. Joseph Teegarden of Chicago, Illinois, 40 years.

The awards were presented by Herbert H. Bell, St. Catherine Hospital Administrator.

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A Funeral Liturgy for Rev. Louis M. Letko, Chaplain at Our Lady of Mercy Hospital in Dyer was concelebrated on Friday, Feb. 13 at St. Joseph Church in Dyer.

Father Letko, 62, died Wednesday, Feb. 11 at Our Lady of Mercy where he had been the

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CLOSE FRIENDS — Archbishop Jozef Tomko, Secretary General of the World Synod of Bishops in Rome visited the Diocese of Gary, April 28-30, 1981. The Archbishop is a close friend of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka. Both men were deeply involved in the founding of the Institute of SS. Cyril and Methodius, a seminary for the training of Slovak priests, located in Rome. Bishop Grutka was a co-consecrator when Pope John Paul II ordained Archbishop Tomko to the episcopacy in Rome in September of 1979. While here, Archbishop Tomko concelebrated a Mass in the Slovak language with Bishop Grutka and Slovak priests of the Diocese.

MAY GOD GRANT A GREAT
INCREASE OF BLESSINGS
TO OUR DIOCESE
AND ESPECIALLY TO
OUR BISHOP,
ANDREW G. GRUTKA

Saint Catherine of Siena Church and School
Father Dominic Pallone, Pastor
Father Theodore Nordquist, Assistant

remember when?

Diocesan Comptroller, Rose M. Lepara, and Bishop Andrew G. Grutka seem pleased about the ledger entries. This early 1979 photo was taken in the old office of the comptroller at the Bishop's residence just prior to the move to the new Chancery facilities on January 8, 1979.

THE OLD STUDY DESK — Bishop Andrew G. Grutka at his desk in his study at the Bishop's residence in Gary — Christmas week, 1978.

ANNA MAE GONDELL, Assistant Comptroller of the Diocese of Gary, at her desk in the "old Chancery." The former Chancery offices were located in the Bishops's residence prior to January 8, 1979.

Father John J. Siekierski, J.C.L., Presiding Judge of the Diocese of Gary Tribunal, at his desk in the Bishop's residence in Gary.

SISTER M. GENEVIEVE, P.H.J.C., at her desk in the former Chancery. Sister Genevieve still continues her work with the files in the new Chancery at 975 West 6th Avenue.

CHRISTMAS AT THE BISHOP'S RESIDENCE — Sister M. Theodosia (left) and Sister M. Domicilla watch as Miss Rose M. Lepara, Diocesan Comptroller and Secretary to the Bishop, puts the finishing touches to Christmas arrangements in the Bishop's kitchen.

Jesus Christ, then, willed that the apostles and their successors — the bishops with Peter's successor at their head — should preach the Gospel faithfully, administered the Sacraments, and rule the Church in love. It is thus, under the action of the Holy Spirit, that Christ wills His people to increase, and He perfects His people's fellowship in unity: in their confessing the one faith, celebrating divine worship in common, and keeping the fraternal harmony of the family of God.

— II Vatican Council, Decree on Ecumenism, *Unitatis Redintegratio*, 21 November 1964, No. 2.

CONGRATULATIONS
and
Prayerful Best Wishes
•
ASSUMPTION PARISH
New Chicago, Indiana
•
Rev. John Murzyn — *Pastor*
Rev. Valerian Karcz — *Pastor Emeritus*

Our Congratulations
and
Best Wishes
for the
Diocese of Gary
and to its first Bishop,
Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.

St. Peter Church,
LaPorte

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chaplain-in-residence for the past 13 years.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of the Liturgy. Among the concelebrants was Father Letko's brother, Rev. Anthony Letko, pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Walkerton, Indiana.

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The premier class of permanent deacon candidates for the Diocese of Gary was ordained Sunday, February 22 at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels, 6th and Tyler St. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka administered the sacrament of Holy Orders, with ceremonies starting at 3:00 p.m.

The diaconate candidates were: John D. McGuckin, John D. Roscoe, James J. Keough, David R. Brown, Robert L. O'Donnell, Melvin Clark, Michael E. Richardson, Rafael J. Godinez, Arthur L. Weeks, Joseph C. Rapal, Joseph R. Codespoti, Joel J. Paulson, Robert J. Bucheit, and Dennis P. Hawkins.

The fourteen men marked the completion of an educational program started on October 23, 1977, when they meet as a group for the first time with program director Rev. William Martin.

March

Reverend Louis J. Osterhage, C.PP.S., acting president of Calumet College in Hammond since January 5, has accepted the position of president of the college, L. Cosby Bernard, chairman of the college's board of directors has announced.

Bernard said Father Osterhage will assume the duties of president immediately. "The board was unanimous in its vote for Father Osterhage's appointment," Bernard said.

In addition to naming Father Osterhage president, the board of directors also voted to name Father James F. McCabe, C.PP.S., president emeritus. Father McCabe, who resigned in December, will continue to serve the college in the areas of alumni affairs, fund-raising, and acquiring federal grants for the institution.

A native of Kalida, Ohio, Father Osterhage graduated from Kalida High School. He was ordained June, 1958, after completing his degree work at Saint Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Indiana. He is a member of the Society of the Precious Blood, the religious order which operates the college.

Father Osterhage was Calumet College's dean of students and alumni director from 1968 to 1973.

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The Catholic Committee on Scouting of the Gary Diocese held its annual Awards Ceremony and dinner on Sunday, March 8 at Blessed Sacrament Parish, 41st and Garfield St. in Gary.

The day began with the presentation of the Puella Mariae, I live My Faith, and Marian Awards for Girl Scouting; the Ad Altare Dei Award for Boy Scouting, and certificates were presented to all Cub Scouts who have earned the Parvuli Dei during the last year. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka presented the awards.

A dinner honoring the awardees and for presentation of the St. Ann Award for adult Girl Scout leaders and Bronze Pelican and St. George Awards for Adult Boy Scout leaders followed at 4:00 p.m. in the church hall. Father Don Peters of Sheboygan, Wisconsin, was the guest speaker. Father Peters is Chairman of the Chaplain Committee of the National Committee on Scouting.

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'Taking God's Word For It — Everyday' was the theme for the Day of Renewal held on March 28 at the Bishop Noll Institute cafeteria, 1519 Hoffman St. in Hammond.

Father James Jakes, Archdiocese of Chicago Liaison for the Catholic Charismatic Renewal, was be the main speaker for the day, sponsored by the Northwest Indiana Catholic Service Committee.

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PRAYERFULLY,
WE CELEBRATE
THIS DOUBLE JUBILEE!

School Sisters of Notre Dame
Mequon Province

Journey to Jubilee

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A one-year grant for incoming freshmen who meet scholastic qualifications is being offered to each parish in the Diocese of Gary by Calumet College, Father Louis J. Osterhage, C.PP.S., president, announced during the Gary Diocesan Clergy Conference held at the college.

"The grant program is a way of thanking each priest and his parishioners for their support of the college during Calumet College Sunday," Father Osterhage said.

Calumet College Sunday was observed in the 89 parishes of the Gary Diocese on December 14, 1980. The collection resulted in nearly $47,000 contributed by families in nearly all the parishes located in four counties in Northwest Indiana.

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MERRILLVILLE — Excellence in German has earned two Andrean High School juniors, Marielle Haller and Bryan Botsch, a two-month stay in Krefeld, West Germany, this summer. The awards, made available to them through the Indiana University Honors Program, were given on the basis of a series of competitive examinations in German, given at Indiana University Northwest.

While living with German families, the two scholars, students of Mrs. Judy Pete of Andrean, will have the opportunity to improve their knowledge of German language and culture in daily language classes and on excursions throughout Germany. Twenty-eight other Indiana high school students will also be making the trip, which will begin June 16.

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A Funeral Liturgy for Reverend Gilbert G. Wirtz, retired priest of the Diocese of Gary, was celebrated on Thursday, April 9, at St. Mary Church in Crown Point.

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of the Liturgy.

Father Wirtz, 70, died Monday, April 6, at the Ingalls, Memorial Hospital in Harvey, Illinois, after serving for more than 42 years in the priesthood. He had been retired from the active ministry since October of 1980. His last assignment was as Chaplain at Beatty Memorial Hospital in Westville, Indiana.

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Reverend Kenneth J. Seberger, C.PP.S., born July 28, 1920, died April 10, 1981, in Lima, Peru, South America.

Father Seberger is survived by four brothers: Leonard of Portage, Indiana; Fred of Griffith, Indiana; Carl of Griffith, and Harold of Griffith. Three sisters also survive: Mrs. Genevieve Aust of Florida, Mrs. Lucille Pearson of Illinois, Mrs. Marie Govert of Schererville and one sister-in-law, Mrs. Rita Rogers of Schererville.

Funeral services and Burial were held in Lima, Peru, South America. A Memorial Mass was held Tuesday evening, April 14, 1981, at St. Mary Church, Griffith, of which Father Seberger was a former parishioner.

Father Seberger was a member of the Congregation of the Precious Blood, the Congregation which administers Calumet College in Hammond and St. Joseph College in Rensselaer. He was ordained a priest on February 10, 1946. He served as a missionary in Peru for the past twenty years.

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Twelve women who have completed a training program for Religious Education/CCD coordinators in the Diocese of Gary received certification as Provisional Coordinators at ceremonies on Sunday, April 26, at Blessed Sacrament Church in Gary. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka conferred the certificates.

The training program, 'In Formation for Effective Administration,' was instituted in the Fall of 1979 with Sister Grace Clements, OSF, as director, and Rev. Patrick Gaza and Mrs. Theresa Seifert as advisers. Completion of the program involved four intensive all-day workshops and an internship, which consisted of a variety of practical experiences with on-the-job training.

Those completing requirements for the program include:

Mrs. Susan Bates, Mrs. Brenda Bissa and Mrs. Mary Ann Brinley, St. Catherine of Siena Parish, Hammond; Mrs. Joanne Behr, St. James Parish, Highland; Mrs. Jane Elias, St. Mary Parish, East Chicago; Mrs. Sharon Fife, St. Andrew and St. Joan of Arc Parishes, Merrillville; Mrs. Mary Kelley, St. Cecilia Parish, DeMotte, Indiana; Mrs. Joan Kowalczyk, Sacred Heart Parish, LaPorte; Mrs. Julia Laskody, Our Lady of Consolation Parish, Merrillville; Mrs. Patti Ann Welter, Notre Dame Parish, Michigan City; Mrs. Rose Mary Wheeler, Sacred Heart Parish, Wanatah; Mrs. Judy Zielinski, St. Stephen the Martyr Parish, Merrillville.

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His Excellency Archbishop Jozef Tomko, S.T.D., visited the Gary Diocese, April 28-30. The Archbishop, a close friend of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, is General Secretary of the Synod of Bishops. Archbishop Tomko and Bishop Grutka were deeply involved in the founding of the Institute of SS. Cyril and Methodius of which Bishop Grutka is the Protector.

In the course of his stay Archbishop Tomko addressed the clergy of the Diocese at a conference at Calumet College in Hammond and concelebrated a Mass in the Slovak language in St. John the Baptist Church, Whiting. Bishop Grutka was a concelebrant of the Mass.

Bishop Grutka was a co-consecrator, along with Vatican Undersecretary of State Archbishop Educardo Martinez Somalo, when Pope John Paul II ordained Archbishop Tomko to the episcopacy on September 15, 1979 in the Sistine Chapel at the Vatican.

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AT SLOVAK INSTITUTE — His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, bids farewell to Bishop Andrew G. Grutka at the entrance to the Slovak Institute of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Rome. Bishop Grutka was in Rome to welcome the Pope on the occasion of his historic visit to the Institute on Sunday, November 8, 1981.

The annual Altar Boy Award program was held Sunday, April 26, at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

The annual event is a cooperative effort of the Gary, Hammond, and Michigan City Serra Clubs to honor Gary Diocese altar boys for their service in the parishes.

As in past years, a special medal was awarded to the outstanding altar boy, selected by his pastor. One boy from each parish, designated as outstanding received a medal.

Over 400 boys, along with their families will attended the ceremonies at the Cathedral. Serra Club

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Congratulations
to Most Rev.
Andrew G. Grutka
and the
Diocese of Gary
on their
25th Anniversary

Sisters of SS. Cyril and Methodius
Villa Sacred Heart
Danville, Pennsylvania

The people of
Immaculate Conception Parish,
Whiting, Indiana,
with gratitude to God,
acknowledge the first 25 years
of the Diocese of Gary
and look forward
to the future growth of
The Catholic Church
in northwest Indiana

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members assisted the boys, vested in cassock and surplice, in the assembly of the procession into the church.

Rev. Richard F. Zollinger, Diocesan Director of Vocation was coordinator for the liturgy portion of the program, which consisted of readings. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka addressed the altar boys, and then presented the medals and certificates.

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May

His Emminence John Cardinal Cody, Archbishop of Chicago, received an honorary Doctorate of Letters Degree during Calumet College's 19th commencement exercises on Saturday, May 2.

The graduation ceremony took place at 12:00 noon at the Bishop Noll Institute fieldhouse, 1519 Hoffman Street in Hammond. Preceding the ceremony, a 10:00 a.m. graduation Mass was concelebrated at Saint Margaret Mary Church, adjacent to Bishop Noll. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the principal celebrant of the Mass, concelebrating with Cardinal Cody.

Cardinal Cody is a close friend of Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and has paid many visits to the Diocese of Gary. He, along with Bishop Leo A. Pursley of Fort Wayne, was a coconsecrator when Bishop Grutka was consecrated as Bishop of the Diocese of Gary in 1957. At that time, the Cardinal was Bishop of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Missouri.

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A Mass of Thanksgiving was celebrated on May 6 by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka for the Sisters of the Diocese of Gary who are marking special anniversaries in the religious life.

Concelebrating the Mass at St. Stanislaus Church in East Chicago was Rev. Gerald A. Sroka, Vicar of Religious, and pastors and chaplains from the parishes and health facilities served by the jubilarians.

Sister Jubilarians range from fifty to sixty years of service. They are: Sisters Cecilia Clare Piechocinski, OSF; Ursulita Holland, CSC; Agnette Wojcik, SSJ; Calixta Steines, SSND; Carmeline Parisi, PHJC; Doris Hodges, OSF; Hildemar La Brie, SSND; Robertine Rybicki, SSJ, and Teresa Dyrda, OSF.

After the Mass the Jubilarians were honored at a banquet served in the parish hall. The ceremonies were sponsored by the Sisters Council of the Diocese of Gary.

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A program to garner ideas on the needs and concerns of high school seniors and single young adults was held Monday, May 18, at St. Andrew Hall, 801 W. 73rd Ave. The idea-input was being sponsored by the South Lake Vicariate of the Diocese of Gary.

According to Joseph Codespoti, St. Stephen Martyr Parish, president, and Mrs. William (Mary) Gaydos, St. Andrew Parish, secretary, "The Vicariate is eager and anxious to enlist the input of ideas through this type of rap session in order to plan programs which are especially geared to this group."

The South Lake Vicariate consists of parishes in Munster, Highland, Griffith, Shelby, Merrillville, St. John, Dyer, Schererville, Lowell, Crown Point and Cedar Lake.

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Funeral services were held on May 14 at the Provincial Motherhouse of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ in Donaldson, Indiana for Sister M. Willibalda Heid, PHJC.

Sister Willibalda, 84, died Tuesday, May 12 after a short illness. She served St. Mary Medical Center in Gary for 62 years, prior to her retirement in December of 1980.

Born Ida Heid in Germany on June 5, 1896, Sister Willibalda emigrated to America in 1908. She en-

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SACRED HEART PARISH, EAST CHICAGO

First Pastorate of Bishop Grutka

1942-1944

The people of Sacred Heart Parish congratulate Bishop Andrew G. Grutka on the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of his consecration as Bishop of the Diocese of Gary.

Those who are designated as members of the ecclesiastical hierarchy are not chosen by the consent or at the call of the people or the secular authority; but are constituted in the degrees of the power of Orders by sacred ordination.

— Code of Canon Law, *Canon 109.*

Silver Jubilee Greetings
To the Diocese of Gary
And to Its
First Good Shepherd
From Carmelites of
Mary Immaculate
Kerala, India

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By tranquility of thought
Deeds, good and evil, one destroys!
With soul serene, stayed on the Soul,
Delight eternal one enjoys!

Katha Upanishad

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SACRED HEART PARISH
2830 W. 15th Ave. Gary, Indiana

To The Most Reverend Bishop
ANDREW G. GRUTKA
and the
DIOCESE OF GARY
CONGRATULATIONS
on the
SILVER JUBILEE
from the
Croatian Conventual Franciscans
at
St. Joseph the Worker Friary
Gary, Indiana

CONFIRMING — Bishop Andrew G. Grutka administers the Sacrament of Confirmation at Saint James Parish in Highland on March 7, 1979. The Bishop is assisted (on his left) by Father Francis M. Lazar, Pastor, and (on his right) by Father Joseph Ivans, C.M.I., Associate Pastor.

PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION — A bishop's principal duty and privilege. Holy Angels Cathedral, Gary, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka imposes hands, September 21, 1974, ordaining Father Derrick F. Dudash to the Priesthood. Assisting the Bishop is Father (then Deacon) Raymond C. Schulte. (Father Schulte was ordained a Priest the following year on October 4, 1975.)

A MOMENT before the Twentieth Anniversary Celebration. On February 20, 1977 Bishop Andrew G. Grutka paused in the living room at Holy Angels Cathedral Rectory to be photographed with his two co-consecrators after twenty years. (Left to right) His Eminence, John Cardinal Cody, Archbishop of Chicago; His Excellency, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka; His Excellency, Bishop Leo A. Pursley, former Bishop of Fort Wayne-South Bend.

Among the concelebrants with Pope Paul VI at the papal altar in the Archbasilica of Saint Peter at the Vatican — Bishop Andrew G. Grutka is second from the right of this photo.

VATICAN CITY — His Holiness, Pope John Paul II, greets His Excellency, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, in Saint Peter's Square — September, 1979.

CONGRATULATIONS
from
Unity Council No. 726
Knights of Columbus
Hammond, Indiana

CATHOLIC FAITH

We are Christians and Catholics not because we worship a key, but because we have passed a door; and felt the wind that is the trumpet of liberty blow over the land of the living.

— Gilbert Keith Chesterton: *The Everlasting Man*, 2, 4.

Thankyou....For The Past 25 Years —

St. Mary of the Lake Parishioners rejoice as the cornerstone is put into place for another House of God in the new Diocese of Gary — November 1961.

The parishioners now extend their sincerest thanks and appreciation to the Diocese of Gary and to its first Bishop — Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka — for the past 25 years as they pray for God's continuing blessings upon both for the future.

St. Mary of The Lake Parish
6060 Miller Avenue
Gary, Indiana 46403

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tered the Order of the Ancilla Domini Sisters, also known as the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ, in 1913. On February 1, 1916, at the age of 9, she solemnly professed her religious vows and took the religious name of Sister Mary Willibalda. Two years later, she came to Gary where she took her nurses training. Upon graduation she was assigned to the hospital's fledging X-ray department, where she stayed for 45 years.

In 1925 Sister Willibalda was certified as a Radiologic Technologist, one of the first individuals to receive such certification. Sister Willibalda was also a Charter Member of the Indiana Society of X-Ray Technicians, formed in 1939. At the time of her retirement Sister Willibalda was the oldest Radiologic Technologist still active in health care anywhere in America.

Following her tenure in the radiology department Sister Willibalda worked in the hospital's medical records department for 17 years.

Burial was at the Provincial Motherhouse in Donaldson.

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Parishioners at Holy Trinity Parish in Gary, along with their Pastor, Rev. Joseph Viater will celebrate the 70th anniversary of the founding of the parish on Sunday, May 24.

The formal observance will begin with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 10:00 a.m. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, a former pastor of Holy Trinity Parish, was the principal celebrant of a concelebrated Mass, assisted by Bishop Leo A. Pursley, the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend. Other celebrants were the Pastor, Reverend Joseph Viater; and sons of the parish: Reverend Joseph Kelchak, Reverend Ronald Rigovsky, O.S.B.; and Reverend Louis Zenz. Former pastors and assistant pastors of the parish also assisted.

The adult and children's choir participated in the music for the liturgy, along with Sisters Joanne Marie and Davidanne of the Sisters of Sts. Cyril and Methodius. Ms. Michelle H. M. Kalena, B. Mus., was the organist.

The social part of the anniversary celebration consisted of a jubilee banquet at 12:00 noon, with Bishop Leo A. Pursley as guest speaker. This event was held at the Michelangelo, 61st and Broadway, Merrillville.

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June

Donald Gray, a 16-year-old Bishop Noll Institute junior, took 2nd place honors at the recently held International Science and Engineering Fair in Milwaukee, Wisconisn.

Gray is the son of Mr. and Mr. Donald Gray of Whiting and a member of St. John the Baptist Parish. Don won the math and computer category with his project entitled 'Artificial Intelligence II.' The project "taught" a motorized "mouse" to negotiate a maze. Don said the thought-and-analysis project could be adapted for industrial use where a machine with a computer-based brain could go into an area too dangerous for man, and evaluate the problem and then develop solutions.

Gray, earlier this year, won a total of twelve awards at the Calumet Region Science Fair including that of 'Most Outstanding Exhibitor.' Don has also been nominated for recognition in the 1980-81 volume of Who's Who Among American High School Students.

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196 adults — 117 women and 79 men — from forty-three parishes throughout the four county area of Northwestern Indiana in the Diocese of Gary received the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels in Gary on Pentecost Sunday, June 7, 1981.

His Excellency, Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, was the principal celebrant at the Mass in the Cathedral where there were standing-room-only crowds of candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation, their sponsors, relatives and friends.

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Mr. Terrence Joseph Steffens was ordained as a Deacon on Saturday, June 27, at 6:00 p.m. in Saint Mary Church in Griffith. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was the ordaining prelate.

Mr. Steffens is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Steffens.

Mr. Steffen's ordination as a Deacon will constitute the final step before his eventual ordination to the priesthood.

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Parishioners at Blessed Sacrament Parish in Gary honored their pastor Father Louis Madejczyk, on the occasion of the 45th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. Thirty-four of these years have been spent at Blessed Sacrament, a parish Father Madejczyk founded and nurtured throughout the years.

A 12:00 noon Mass on Sunday, June 28, was celebrated in honor of Father Madejczyk. An open house in the social hall followed the Mass.

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Members of Saint John the Baptist Parish in Whiting commemorated the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the present church building on Sunday, June 21.

A 5:00 p.m. anniversary Mass was celebrated on that date by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and Rev. Edward Homco, C.PP.S., Pastor. Other concelebrants included priests from the Diocese of Gary and Precious Blood Fathers from the staff of Calumet College.

Saint John the Baptist Church was built under the pastorate of Father John Kostik, C.PP.S., and was consecrated in 1931 by Bishop John F. Noll.

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Requiem Mass was celebrated on Saturday, June 27, for Reverend Antoniu Dunca, a former pastor of Saint Demetrius Romanian Byzantine Catholic Church in East Chicago.

Father Dunca, 77, died Wednesday, June 24 in Whiting where he lived in retirement.

Father Dunca served at parishes in Romania before coming to the United States in 1935. He was then assigned as pastor of Saint

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Nicholas Romanian Byzantine Church in East Chicago on January 28, 1935, where he remained until his assignment as pastor of Saint Demetrius on May 4, 1943. He also served the Romanian Mission in Gary. Failing health resulted in hs retirement from the active ministry in February of 1949.

July

Catholic Charities of Gary began operation of a Indochinese Refugee Center. This center provides survival skills in English, job development, counseling and social supportive services for refugees in Indiana.

Father Joseph Semancik, Director of Catholic Charities, in announcing the creation of the center said that during the past six years since 1975, some 80 Indochinese refugees have been assisted through Catholic Charities programs. Some of these people remain in our area while others have relocated to be reunited with other members of their families.

Funding for the program has been received from the Indiana State Department of Public Welfare and the Indiana Board of Vocational and Technical Education.

The Indochinese program is staffed by Mary Leuca, coordinator; Thuy Thi Vu Rosenfelt and Mary Zonta, counselors; Edwin Sieckman, job developer; and Van Trung Nguyen, social support specialist.

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Fifty-one priests were concelebrants at the Mass of Ordination when six men were ordained as priests of the Diocese of Gary, Saturday, July 11, at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, the ordaining prelate, conferred the Sacrament of Holy Orders on Rev. John B. Barasinski, Rev. Walter M. Ciesla, Rev. Clarence E. Danforth, Rev. Stephen G. Gibson, Rev. Stephen D. Kosinski, and Rev. Thomas E. Mischler. Several priests, from within and outside of the Diocese were present at the ceremonies.

Assisting the Bishop at the ordination ceremonies were Monsignor Casimir E. Senderak, Vicar General of the Diocese and Pastor of Saint Casimir Parish in Hammond, and Rev. Richard F. Zollinger, Diocesan Director of Vocations, and Pastor of Saint Mary Parish in Griffith.

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GARY — The Diocese of Gary, in an effort to provide the best and most truly Catholic cemeteries for the people of the Hammond-Whiting and the Michigan City areas, announced a plan to improve and expand the burial facilities in those locations.

A recent study authorized by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka focused on planning for the future of the Catholic cemeteries in the Diocese, and the most efficient use of the limited space remaining in those cemeteries.

A decision has been made to combine the operations of the St. John and St. Joseph cemeteries in Hammond. To be named St. John-St. Joseph Diocesan Cemetery, the newly combined facility would more effectively service the burial needs and preferences of all the Catholic families in the Hammond-Whiting area.

Plans are underway to extend the mausoleum burial facilities now in St. John Cemetery to achieve full utilization of the only remaining space in that cemetery. The enlarged mausoleum will, when completed, provide five times the number of burials in the space available, as opposed to using the site for ground burial. Design and construction of the mausoleum is being handled by the Acme Marble and Granite Company of New Orleans, Louisiana, the nation's leading cemetery specialists.

In addition, the ten acres presently undeveloped in the now St. Joseph Cemetery will be surveyed and studied for the most efficient management of that land for future burial needs of the Faithful of this area.

Other improvements planned by the Diocese incude the construction of a community mausoleum on the grounds of St. Stanislaus Cemetery in Michigan City. The diocesan study revealed that the present St. Stanislaus Cemetery would run out of burial sites in approximately 58 years, assuming the present rate of use continues.

The building of the mausoleum would constitute the first phase of a master plan to extend the life of the cemetery, in order to better serve the needs of the five Michigan City parishes. The new facility, to be known as the St. Stanislaus Diocesan Cemetery, will aid in conserving the remaining land in the cemetery by allowing at least five burials for every one ground burial space. In addition, the mausoleum will offer an alternate form of burial to the Faithful.

Assisting the Diocese in the implementation of the master plan and the construction of the mausoleum will be the Acme Marble and Granite Company of New Orleans.

August

Parishioners of Holy Trinity Hungarian Church in East Chicago, along with their Pastor, Father Alphonse Skerl, celebrated the 75th anniversary of the founding of the parish on Sunday, August 16.

The formal observance began with a Mass of Thanksgiving at 3:00 p.m. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka as principal celebrant of a concelebrated Mass was assisted by Bishop Leo A. Pursley of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Father Alphonse Skerl, Pastor, and other former pastors, curates and sons of the parish.

Following the Mass, a jubilee banquet and dance was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in East Chicago.

Holy Trinity Parish was founded in 1906 with the erection of the first church. The ensuing years were filled with many changes and improvements under the guidance of a number of dedicated pastors shepherding a flock of hard working pioneer families.

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Sister Glinda Fitzgerald, C.S.C., made her commitment in the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross on August 4. Sister Glinda and four other novices became professed sisters as they made their promises of chastity, poverty, and obedience. The private ceremony was held at the Holy Cross novitiate in Denver, Colorado, with Bishop George Evans presiding.

Sister Glinda is the daughter of Thomas Fitzgerald, Sr., and Linda Pittman of St. Elizabeth Seton parish in Lake Eliza. She graduated from Andrean High School and Valparaiso University and worked at Lake Eliza Resort before entering the Holy Cross community in South Bend, Indiana, in August, 1978.

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Ronald Wojkovich, a member of SS. Peter and Paul Parish in Merrillville received the 'Outstanding Catholic Youth Award' presented by the St. Thomas Council Knights of Columbus. The presentation was made by Grand Knight Tony Muffoletto Jr.

Ron was chosen for the award because of his outstanding qualities of leadership in scholastic, Church, and community activities. He is a graduate of Andrean High School, and a member of the National Honor Society. While at Andrean, he was a member of the varsity basketball and baseball teams and was

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR BISHOP
AND OUR DIOCESE

SS. MONICA AND LUKE CHURCH
7th and Rhode Island
Parish Office: 2260 Adams Street
Gary, Indiana

Rev. William L. Martin Rev. Anthony Valtierra

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CONGRATULATES
BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA
and the
DIOCESE OF GARY
on your
25th ANNIVERSARY

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judged an excellent artist by his teachers.

Ron is the son of the late Robert and Gloria Wojkovich of Merrillville.

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Funeral services were held on August 14 for Sister Margaret Elizabeth, S.P., who at one time taught in the Diocese of Gary. Sister Margaret Elizabeth died August 12 in the Sisters of Providence Infirmary at St. Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana.

The former Hannah Louise McCarthy was born on November 9, 1889, in West Menkton, Ontario, Canada, the daughter of Jeremiah and Margaret Keyes McCarthy. She entered the Congregation of the Sisters of Providence in 1918, made her first profession of Vows in 1921, and final profession in 1927. She taught in schools staffed by the Sisters of Providence in Indiana at St. John the Baptist, Whiting; St. Augustine, Fort Wayne, and All Saints, Hammond. Her last classroom assignment was at St. Genevieve, Chicago, from 1960 to 1966, when she retired to the Motherhouse at St. Mary-of-the-Woods.

September

Twelve Knights of Columbus Councils in the Gary Diocese received Supreme Council recognition for the 1980-81 fraternal year ending June 30.

Receiving the coveted Star Council Award for achievements in program, membership and insurance quotas were Lake Eliza Council 7473 and Michigan City Council 7524.

The Columbian Award for outstanding programming went to Hammond Council 726, Valparaiso Council 738, Hobart Council 1347, Whiting Council 1696, East Chicago Council 1700, Griffith Concil 3631, Merrillville Council 4047 and Crown Point Council 4620.

Chesterton Council 5929 received both the Columbian Award and the Father McGivney Award for conducting a successful membership program.

Hammond Council 4933 won the Founders' Award for attaining insurance requirements.

Fifty-seven councils in Indiana received awards.

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St. Joseph the Worker Croatian Parish in Gary celebrated the 25th anniversary of the dedication of the church building Sunday, September 20, with a Mass of thanksgiving at 4:00 p.m. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, was the main celebrant and homilist.

An official banquet in the church hall was held at 6:00 p.m. Nick Hugo, president of the parish council, welcomed the crowd and Steve Sanders emceed the evening program.

Bishop Leo A. Pursley of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend gave the main address. On May 6th, 1956 Bishop Pursley, blessed the building at dedication ceremonies.

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Several vicars, pastors and lay leaders met on September 16 to discuss the Polish refugee situation. During that meeting, Father Joseph Semancik, Director of Catholic Charities, described the long standing involvement of Catholic Charities in refugee settlement and the urgency of the current situation regarding Polish refugees.

The current problem is that there are 6,000 refugees from Poland looking for a home, they are housed in a camp near Vienna, Austria. Few other countries will accept them and the U.S. immigration quota under which they can be admitted must be filled by September 30.

There is an urgent need for sponsors who can provide a place for the refugees and some support in getting them started. Father Semancik said, "We hope that church committees can be formed as rapidly as possible. Our staff is available to help with the process. I hope that every parish in our diocese can get involved.'

October

Holy Rosary Church in Gary celebrated its Golden Jubilee, the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the parish, on Sunday, October 4.

The celebration will begin with an Anniversary Mass at 4:00 p.m. concelebrated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka. Father David H. Gosnell, the present pastor, and former pators and assistants who served in the parish.

After the Mass, there was a cocktail hour, followed by the Anniversary Banquet at 6:00 p.m.

Holy Rosary Parish was founded in 1931 and had its humble beginning in an old store building, under the guidance of its first pastor, Father Arnold Wibbert.

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Franciscans, both religious and lay, of the Gary Diocese began their year of commemoration in which 800th Anniversary of the birth of St. Francis of Assisi with All Night Prayer Vigils and Transitus Services.

Prayer Vigils were held on October 2 at St. Anthony Hospital in Michigan City; at Seimetz Center, Hammond; and at St. Anthony Hospital, Crown Point. A Solemn Vespers Service began the prayer vigil in Crown Point.

Transitus services were held on October 3 at Seimetz Center and at Seven Dolors Shrine, South Haven.

This year, beginning with the feast of St. Francis on October 4, 1981 and concluding with the feast in 1982, has been designated as a Year of commemoration in which Franciscans, in the spirit of their founder, have adopted as their goals the celebration of the dignity of human life, leading people to rejoice in the gifts of creation and proclaiming the good news of Christ.

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A variety of workshop topics under the theme of "Parish and Family" were featured at "Family Day '81."

Family Day was held Sunday, October 18, 1981 at Andrean High School, 5959 Broadway in Merrillville. The Diocesan-wide conference for all ages and stages of family included a keynote address, children's program, exhibits, luncheon and a Eucharistic liturgy in addition to the workshop program.

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The newest and 101st Knights of Columbus Council in Indiana, Gary Council No. 7878, was instituted Columbus Day, Oct. 12, in ceremonies at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels.

District Deputy No. 3 Thomas Flanagan of Crown Point installed the charter officers during Mass celebrated by the Council Chaplain, the Rev. Ralph G. Hoffmann, Pastor of St. Mary of the Lake Parish, G . Assisting in the Mass was the Associate State Chaplain, the Rev. Emil Bloch of Merrillville.

Heading the new council's officers are Grand Knight Martin B. Hayes, 8821 Hemlock Lane, Gary; and Financial Secretary Roger J. Hruskovich, 7950 Juniper Ave., Gary. Charter members are comprised of 33 new members and two transfers.

Prior to the Mass, the first degree was conferred on 14 new members, by a team from St. Patrick Council No. 5709, Walkerton, with District Deputy no. 7 Bernard Westhues in charge.

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Lynn Sredzinski, daughter of Mrs. Roberta Sredzinski and the late Mr. Leo Sredzinski, was selected 1981 Homecoming Queen at Bishop Noll Institute. The announcement was made at the recent homecoming game against Gavit.

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Congratulations
with
Prayerful
Best Wishes
to
Bishop
Andrew G. Grutka
and the
Diocese of Gary

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Assumption Church
East Chicago,
(Indiana Harbor)
Rev. John A. Halo, Pastor

Congratulations to Our Esteemed President
His Excellency
The Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
on the occasion of the
25th Anniversary of his Episcopal Ordination
and Installation as First Bishop of Gary
from the
AMERICAN COMMITTEE
OF THE
SLOVAK WORLD CONGRESS

Edward J. Behuncik, Esq., Vice-President
Daniel F. Tanzone, Secretary-Treasurer

Ad multos annos — gloriosque annos!

Journey to Jubilee

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Miss Sredzinski, a senior from Highland, has been a cheerleader at Noll since her freshman year. She is currently captain of the varsity cheerleading squad. Lynn is also a member of the National Honor Society and the National Business Honor Society.

Other members of Noll's 1981 homecoming court include Gina Towns, Sharon Harmon, Carole Ray, and Kimberly Huet.

November

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka greeted Pope John Paul II upon his arrival at the Institute of Saints Cyril and Methodius in Rome on November 8. Bishop Grutka is the Episcopal Protector of the Slovak Institute.

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Archbishop William E. Cousins, D.D. led a special day of prayer and reflection, sponsored by the Serra Clubs of the Calumet Area, Gary and Michigan City. It was held at the Carmelite Mission House and Shrine, 1628 Ridge Road, Munster, on Saturday, November 14.

Archbishop Cousins focused on personal commitment to Christ. He spoke about prayer, the Eucharist and the priesthood in contemporary society.

Archbishop Cousins, former Archbishop of Milwaukee, has travelled extensively over the past several years leading days of recollection and renewal.

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Bishop Andrew G. Grutka was honored by the Knights of Columbus at a major degree exemplification on Sunday, November 22, at Msgr. Ryder Council 4047, Merrillville.

A membership campaign is being conducted in the state whereby the bishops of Indiana are being named class honorees for groups of candidates for membership in the Knights of Columbus.

District Deputy 2 Jacob Krieter, Crown Point, was in charge of the day's activities. The Fort Wayne degree team conferred the formation and knighthood degrees at 2:00 p.m. A dinner and short program was held afterwards.

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The emotional needs of chronically ill individuals and their families was the focus of a November 30 workshop held at Saint Margaret Hospital.

The program, geared toward clergy, church laity, social workers and others who deal with the chronically ill, was held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Walnut Room at Saint Margaret, 5454 Hohman Avenue, Hammond.

The problems of the family, psychological effects of loss and death, and community support and resources were emphasized.

December

Elizabeth Grieger Wiegand, A.S.C.A.P., composer, musician, music-teacher, educator, was chosen to receive the second annual "National Music Educator of the Year" award from the American Music Conference. Mrs. Wiegand, a member of Queen of All Saints Parish in Michigan City, was cited for versatility and creativity, and commended on active involvement in, and positive influence on, community music programs. She received a plaque describing the honor.

She also was the recipient of the American Society of Com-

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SISTER JUBILARIANS — Sisters in the Diocese of Gary honored their members who are observing jubilees at a Mass concelebrated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka and the pastors and chaplains of the ministries which the Sisters serve in May of 1981. A banquet for the jubilarians and their guests followed the Mass. The annual jubilee celebration honors the Sisters on the occasion of the anniversary of their entrance into their respective Orders, and is sponsored by the Sisters Council of the Diocese. Jubilarians pictured are, bottom row, from left: Sister Cecilia Clare Piechocinski, OSF; Sister Annunciata Rebizant, SPU; Sister Agnette Wojcik, SSJ; Sister Carmeline Parisi, PHJC; Sister Doris Hodges, OSF, and Sister Hildemar La Brie, SSND. Top row: Sister Robertime Rybicki, SSJ; Sister Helen Burke, LCM; Bishop Andrew G. Grutka; Sister Teresa Dyrda, OSF, and Sister Ursulita Holland, CSC.

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We grow together through our Gary Diocese and the good works of our Bishop Andrew G. Grutka

BISHOP SHOULD BE WITH HIS PEOPLE AS ONE WHO SERVES, AS A GOOD SHEPHERD

To Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.

Father, Pastor, Bishop, Shepherd

Our Prayerful Best Wishes on the Occasion

of your

Episcopal Silver Anniversary

"IN EXERCISING HIS OFFICE OF FATHER AND PASTOR, THE BISHOP SHOULD BE WITH HIS PEOPLE AS ONE WHO SERVES, AS A GOOD SHEPHERD WHO KNOWS HIS SHEEP AND HIS SHEEP KNOW HIM . . ."

Joan Bickel
Diocesan Pension Office

Sr. Grace Clemens, O.S.F.
Religious Education/CCD Office

Ellen Malis
Marriage Tribunal Office

Isabel A. Espinoza
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Jane Emmerth
Diocese of Gary Schools Office

Norma Barcenas
Marriage Tribunal Office

Decree on the Pastoral Office of Bishops in the Church: Vatican II, "Christus Dominus."

Journey to Jubilee

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posers. Authors and Publishers Popularity Award for 1980-81, 1981-82 of $100.00 each for sacred music which she composed. She serves as director of the Michigan City Community Interfaith Choir, a member of the National Federation of Music Clubs, which has appeared at the NFMC National Convention performing "The Answer is in Jesus," by Mrs. Wiegand, and have appeared on WGN-TV Channel 9 and "Heritage of Faith" series.

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That familiar Christmas song, "I'll Be Home For Christmas," had a special ring for the people of Saint Maria Goretti Parish! On Sunday, December 20, at 2:00 p.m. Bishop Andrew G. Grutka dedicated this new parish's permanent home!

Following the dedication ceremonies, the first Mass was concelebrated in the new church by Bishop Grutka, Father Richard H. Ameling, Pastor, and neighboring pastors.

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Mike Chelap, director of the Northwest Indiana Catholic Youth Organization, presented awards to the winners of the 1981 CYO Spelling Bee finals. The top three finishers were Jennifer Gosnell, St. Mary School, Michigan City; Karen Saroian, St. Mary School, Griffith; and Shantelle Hernandez, St. Thomas Aquinas School, Knox. Jennifer Gosnell won the contest by correctly spelling "cinnamon" and "hemophilia."

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Funeral Mass for Sister Beata Sablich, former principal and eighth grade teacher was celebrated on Friday, December 18 at Holy Trinity Croatian Church in East Chicago.

Sister Beata, 61, passed away on December 16 at St. Catherine Hospital. She taught at Holy Trinity Croatian School, at two different periods, for a total of 13 years. She also taught at Immaculate Conception School in East Chicago.

Sister Beata, a member of the Congregation of the Adorers of the Blood of Christ served in the religious life for 43 years. She entered the Order on Aug. 29, 1935 and made her final profession on Aug. 14, 1938.

1982

January

Rev. Patrick O'Donnell, a member of the Glenmary Home Missioners, was in Philadelphia on December 27 to accept the Legion of Honor Award in the Chapel of the Four Chaplains at Temple University.

Father O'Donnell, a native of Gary, Indiana, is one of six children of the late Liguori and Carolyn (Senn) O'Donnell.

When he was ordained a Glenmary priest on March 12, 1949, Father Pat had completed his service with the U.S. Navy, two years of studies at the University of Notre Dame and had received a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy from the University of Chicago and a master of arts degree from Catholic University, as well as his theology work at Mount St. Mary of the West Seminary in Cincinnati. During a Year of Renewal he studied at the Gregorian University in Rome.

Seventeen of Father O'Donnell's 32 years as a Glenmary missioner have been spent in Kentucky. He was associate pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Russellville for two years, pastor of Holy Redeemer Church in Vanceburg and Saints John and Elizabeth Church in Grayson for 14 years, and since August 1981 has been pastor of St. Susan Church in Elkton and St. Mary Church in Guthrie.

Concurrent with other assignments, Father O'Donnell was editor of The Glenmary-Challenge, a quarterly magazine published by the home mission society. He has received numerous awards, including several from the Catholic Press Association for excellence in photography, writing and editing.

He has been prominent in pro-life movements and designed a medallion that has been helpful in promoting the cause.

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Thomas Beutner, a student at Marquette High School, was named as one of 25 semi-finalists in the Thomas Edison/Max McGraw Scholarship Program. He was selected from hundreds of high school science students throughout the United States and Canada on the basis of a science project report which he submitted. Beutner will now be eligible for consideration as a finalist which will entitle him to a $1,000.00 scholarship and a trip to the 29th Science Institute in Beaumont, Texas.

Beutner's science teacher is Dean Christakis.

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MERRILLVILLE — Three men will receive the Northwest In-

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BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA at home in his dining room chats with Sisters M. Domicilla and Theodosia, Albertine Sisters from the Province of Krakow, Poland.

Joy by the Will of God

Joyfully We Praise God for All He Has Accomplished in the Diocese of Gary, in and Through Our Bishop. We Unite in Prayer and Gratitude on this Joyful Occasion of its Silver Jubilee

The Sisters, Residents, and Staff
Little Company of Mary Health Facility
San Pierre, Indiana

Warmest Congratulations
to the *First* Bishop
of the 25 year old
Diocese of Gary
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka
on his Silver Jubilee
as Shepherd
of the Flock
from your
First new parish
in the
Diocese of Gary
Nativity of Our Saviour
Portage
with love, joy
and gratitude . . .

The Parishioners and Priests

Journey to Jubilee

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diana CYO's highest honor when the younth department marks its 50th anniversary net month. Father Francis Lazar, pastor at St. James the Less Parish, and Andrean teachers Dan Rogovich and Peter Billick will receive the St. John Bosco Award at the CYO banquet Feb. 7 at the Serbian-American Hall, 8700 Taft.

A total of 48 youth leaders will be honored by CYO this year. In addition to the Bosco Awards, CYO Community Service, Father Mooney, and Msgr. Grothouse Youth Awards will also be presented.

The CYO Community Service Award, honoring professionals in youth work, will go to Dr. William Sabo and William Passmore.

The Father Mooney Youth Service Award will be presented to 34 CYO coaches and parish youth workers. They are Linda Namovice, Bernie Zapp, Fran Hutchins, John Foyer, Eli Kvachkoff, Jerry Kacmar, Michael Richardson, Joseph Derybowski, Joan Torrence, Larry Stawicki, Robert Sanchez, Barbara Gilson, William Golon, Joann Pavnica, John Haviley Jr., John Dravet, Louise Johnsen, John Niemiec, Edward Meier, Charles Wendlinger, Regis Hess, Felipa Reyna, Joseph Zaragoza, Karen Gallas, Mary Jane Gerlach, Dan Willett, Fernando D'Urso, Mary Jane Booth, Charles Pfister, Albert Lopez, Joanne Burosh, Genevieve Murphy, Nora Rosellini, and Katherine Walsh.

The Msgr. Lawrence Grothouse Youth Award will go to the following young people: Vicki Steininger, Jeannie Vass, Kevin Cessna, Bob Hynes, Laura Dawson, Lorri Wieczorek, Michelle Ramos, Pat Makselan, and Angie Eberhardt.

The Pro Deo et Juventute (For God and Youth) Award winner will be announced at the banquet. It is traditionally reserved for members of the CYO Board of Directors.

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The Diocese of Gary announced its First Annual Pilgrimage to our National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. It will take place on the weekend of March 19, 20 and 21. It is especially proper that this be done this year, as we celebrate our first twenty-five years of being the Diocese of Gary.

The pilgrimage will leave Friday evening from O'Hare International Airport at 6:30 p.m. It will feature a full day of being at the Shrine with religious conferences and tours of the Shrine. Saturday afternoon a tour of our nation's capital will be scheduled. Highlight of the weekend will be the Saturday evening Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka.

Sunday will be spent at the Shrine, with the pilgrimage ending
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ALTAR BOY AWARDS — A large crowd of altar boys, parents, relatives and friends were on hand at the 1981 Altar Boy Award Ceremony held at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels in Gary. Each of the 512 altar boys, representing 46 of the parishes in the Diocese received a medal or certificate for his service at the altar. The ceremony was sponsored by the Calumet, Michigan City and Gary Serra Club.

"You are the Body of Christ and individually members of It. So, if you are the Body of Christ and the members thereof, then it is your own mystery which lies on the altar of the Lord; it is the mystery of yourselves which you receive. You reply *'Amen'* to what you are; by that reply you confirm this fact. For when on receiving the Body you hear 'The Body of Christ,' you answer *'Amen.'* Therefore, you must really be a member of the Body of Christ so that your *Amen* may be true."

— St. Augustine (PL38, 1246-8).

Reverend Vladimir Janeczek, Pastor, and the
People of God at Saint John Cantius Parish,
East Chicago, Indiana extend their sincere
congratulations and prayerful best wishes
to Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.,
on the occasion of the double Twenty-fifth
Anniversary of the creation of the Diocese of Gary,
and his consecration as its first ordinary.
Ad multos annos!

Journey to Jubilee

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as we celebrate the Holy Mass and receive the Pilgrim's Blessing as we depart. Ample time will be given to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and to visit the gift shop.

February

Bishop Andrew G. Grutka announced that the Archbishop of Indianapolis and Metropolitan of the province, the Most Reverend Edward T. O'Meara, S.T.D., would preach the homily at the Silver Jubilee Mass commemorating the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the foundation of the Diocese of Gary and the consecration of its first Bishop.

The Mass is scheduled to be celebrated by Bishop Grutka and other concelebrating archbishops and bishops on Sunday, February 21 at 2:00 p.m. in the Genesis Convention Center (Fourth and Broadway) in Gary.

The day following the Jubilee Mass, the Archbishop will concelebrate a special Mass with Bishop Grutka and all the priests of the Diocese in the Cathedral of the Holy Angels. After this Mass he will have an opportunity to meet our clergy, diocesan and religious.

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Bishop Leo A. Pursley, D.D., will preach at the Silver Jubilee Mass, Sunday, February 21 at the Genesis Convention Center in Gary, according to an announcement by Bishop Andrew G. Grutka.

Bishop Pursley, the former Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, is a close personal friend of Bishop Grutka, and was a co-consecrator when Bishop Grutka was consecrated as Bishop of the newly-formed Diocese of Gary in 1957.

Bishop Grutka will be the principal celebrant of the Jubilee Mass scheduled for 2:00 p.m. in the Genesis Convention Center at Fourth and Broadway in the See City. All Catholics of the Diocese are invited to participate in the Mass.

VATICAN CITY — Pope Pius XII, the Pope who first established the Diocese of Gary, receives the first Bishop of Gary, Andrew G. Grutka, at the papal apartments in June, 1958.

THE SILVER JUBILEE
by G. M. Hopkins

Though no high-hung bells or din
Of braggart bugles cry it in—
What is sound? Nature's round
Makes the Silver Jubilee

Five and twenty years have run
Since sacred fountains to the sun
Sprang, that but now were shut,
Showering Silver Jubilee.

We gratefully join our prayers
and good wishes with those
of all the people of the
Diocese of Gary as we
celebrate our Silver Jubilee
as a Diocese and the
25th Anniversary of the
Consecration of
Bishop Andrew G. Grutka

The Parishioners of
Holy Trinity Hungarian Parish and
St. Joseph Mission, East Chicago

CHRISTIANITY

I do not contend that everybody can be converted by reason, but I do contend that some people can be converted by reason. I do not regard Christianity purely as a system of thought; I regard Christianity as a way of life and a system of thought.

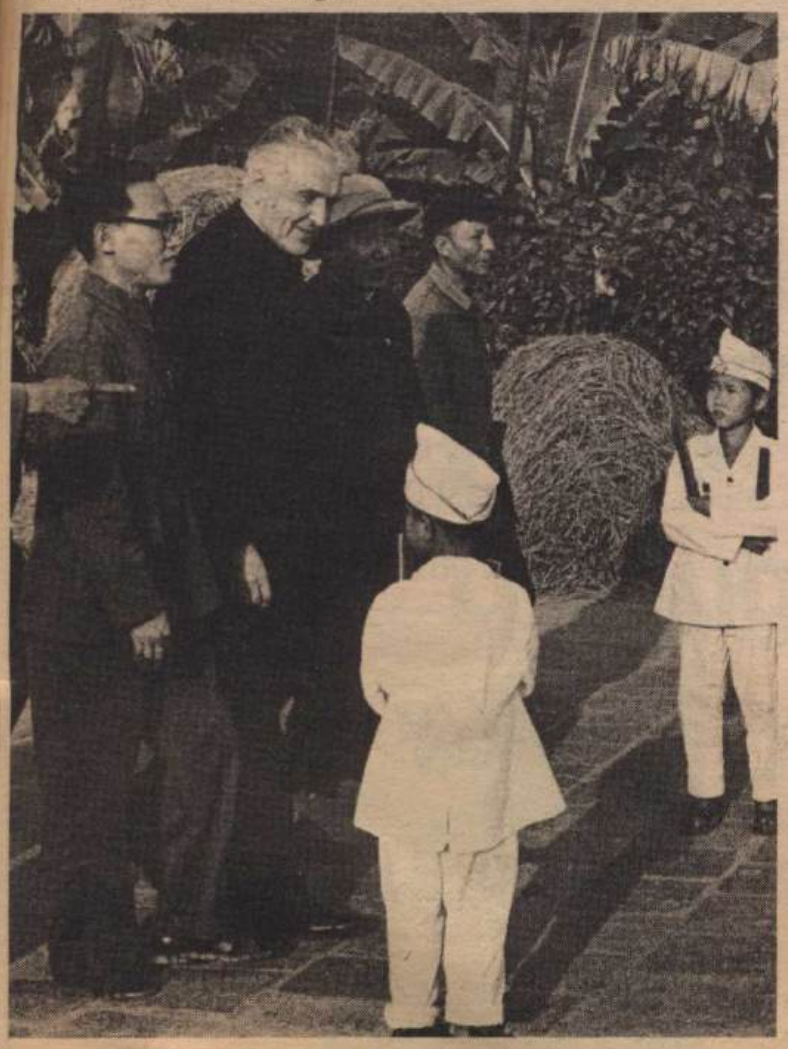
— Arnold Lunn: *Now I See.*

OUR PRAYERS ARE
WITH BISHOP GRUTKA
AND THE FAITHFUL OF
THE DIOCESE OF GARY
ON THE JOYOUS OCCASION
OF THE
SILVER JUBILEE

Parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish,
LaPorte, Indiana
Rev. Dennis J. Teles, Pastor

Our Sunday Visitor (1912-1982)
Congratulates Bishop Andrew G. Grutka
and the Diocese of Gary (1957-1982)
for Twenty-Five Years
of Joint Endeavor
'To Serve the Church'

HANOI — The Premier of North Vietnam officially welcomed Bishop Andrew G. Grutka on the Bishop's mission to Hanoi, North Vietnam, on December 2, 1974. Bishop Paul C. Washburn, United Methodist Bishop of Northern Illinois, is in the background.



NORTH VIETNAM — Bishop Grutka flanked by North Vietnamese officials, visits a village and is welcomed by a delegation of children on December 4, 1974.

In the bishops, therefore, for whom priests are assistance, Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Supreme High Priest, is present in the midst of those who believe.

— II Vatican Council, Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, *Lumen Gentium*, 21 November 1964, No. 4.

NEWLY ORDAINED — Six men were ordained as priests of the Diocese of Gary on Saturday, July 11, 1981, at the Cathedral of the Holy Angels. Shown with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka, the ordaining prelate are, from left: Rev. Thomas E. Mischler, Rev. John B. Barasinski, Rev. Stephen D. Kosinski, Rev. Stephen G. Gibson, Rev. Clarence E. Danforth, and Rev. Walter M. Ciesla.

CONGRATULATIONS
to the Gary Diocese
and Most Reverend
Andrew G. Grutka

— from the Parishioners of
Holy Family Parish, Gary
and Rev. Stanley J. Milewski, Pastor

Sincerest Congratulations
to Bishop Grutka
and the
Diocese of Gary
on the
Celebration of 25 Years
of Spiritual Assistance
to the People of
Northwest Indiana

St. Alfred Council No. 4933
Knights of Columbus, Hessville

FIRST CLASS OF CERTIFIED COORDINATORS — The Religious Education/CCD Office of the Diocese of Gary granted Provisional Coordinator Certificates to twelve candidates. Pictured above are l. to r. first row: Rev. J. Patrick Gaza, advisor; Patti Ann Welter, Judith Zielinski, Brenda Bissa, Susan Bates, Jane Elias. Row 2; Sister Grace Clements, OSF, program director; Mary Kelly, Sharon Fife, Mary Ann Brinley, Rose Mary Wheeler, Joanne Gehr, and Theresa Seifert, advisor. Missing from the photo: Joan Kowaldzyk and Julia Laskody. Certification ceremonies were held April 26, 1981, at Blessed Sacrament Church in Gary.

Congratulations to Our Shepherd

BISHOP ANDREW G. GRUTKA

who has devoted 25 years to the Diocese of Gary

since Feb. 25, 1957

firm in his ideal

"Where there is Love, there is God"

PRAYERFUL GOOD WISHES

Sisters of the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ
Board of Directors of St. Mary Medical Center
Administration & Hospital staff members

From "Grateful Reflections of a Bishop"

"You will soon learn that Charity is a heavy burden to carry, heavier than the kettle of soup and the basket of bread. But, you must keep your gentleness and your smile."

"It is not enough to give soup and bread — that the rich can do. You are the little servant of the poor, the Maid of Charity, always smiling and in good humor. They are your masters . . . terribly sensitive and exacting as you will see. But, the uglier and dirtier they are, the more you must give them of your love.

"It is only because of your love, only your love, that the poor will forgive you the bread you give them!"

St. Vincent de Paul

St. Mary Medical Center
Gary - Hobart, Indiana

Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ
BLESSED MARY KATHERINE KASPER

Foundress of the Congregation
Spiritual Feast Day

Feb. 1, 1982

"Take care that you do everything for love of God"

"If you go to the table, thank God for the food and for His blessing! It strengthens body and soul. We should treasure every chance daily to mortify ourselves; extraordinary opportunities are not necessary. Leave everything to God, our daily efforts and opportunities are sufficient. The holy Will of God shall be accomplished in me and by me at all times. Let us retire in the evening to God's Will and pleasure do likewise in rising. This intention, let us repeat often during the day."

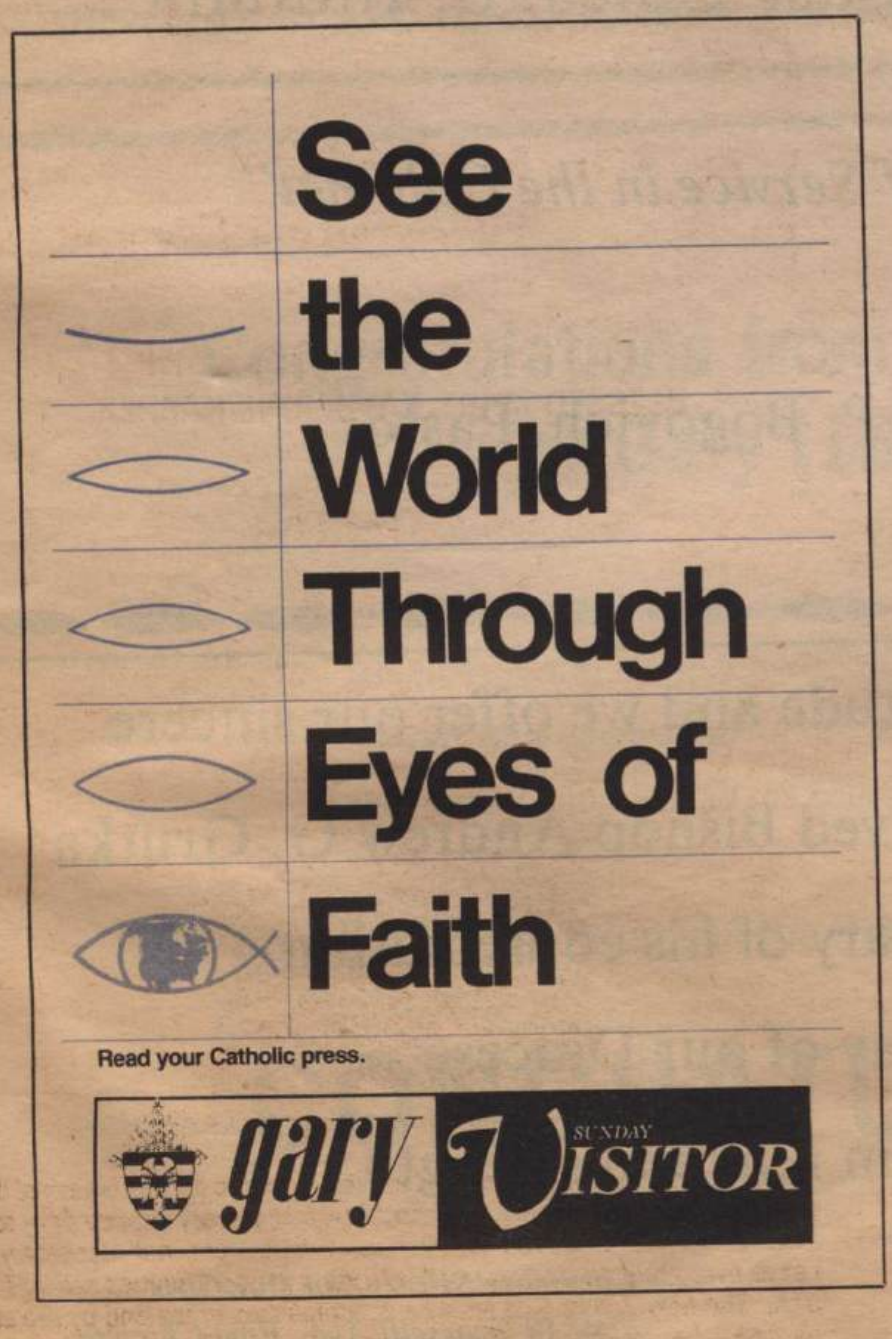
Congratulations to Bishop Grutka

and the Diocese of Gary

On the Occasion of Their 25th Anniversary

We Are Grateful for Having Enjoyed

the Privilege of Serving God's Servants



THE STAFF

of the

GARY SUNDAY VISITOR

Congratulations, Thanksgiving, Benediction

Prayerful best wishes for the
continued spiritual progress of the Church
in Northern Indiana

From the
People of the Church of
HOLY TRINITY (Croatian)
148th and Carey St. in East Chicago, Indiana

"Into its 66th Year of Service in the Calumet"

Monsignor Paul P. Bogovich, Pastor

We unite in jubilant gratitude and we offer our sincere congratulations to our beloved Bishop Andrew G. Grutka on the 25th Anniversary of his consecration and the birthday of our Diocese.
May God give him renewed strength.

— Carmelite Sisters and Our Girls
at 4840 Grasselli Ave., East Chicago
(Neighbors of Holy Trinity Croatian Parish)

FAMILY LIFE COMMISSION
Diocese of Gary

"The family finds in the plan of God the Creator and Redeemer not only its identity, what it is, but also its mission, what it can and should do . . . Family, become what you are."
Pope John Paul II
Familiaris Consortio, 1981

The Family Life Commission was appointed by Bishop Andrew Grutka in 1979 to work toward strengthening and enhancing family life in the Diocese of Gary. Under the current leadership of Joseph and Theresa Codespoti, President Couple, the Commission has sponsored open public hearings on family life, speakers, seminars and two successful "Family Day" conferences. The Commission has published a Family Services Directory, recruited and trained parish contacts, developed a monthly calendar of organization events and represented Indiana at the 1980 White House Conference on Families.

The goals of the Commission are to develop a listening process within the Diocese; to support and coordinate existing groups; explore, plan and present new programs; to initiate family life committees in parishes; to explore ecumenical participation and to work toward total family ministry in the 1980s — The Decade of the Family.

The Family Life Commission is sponsored by Catholic Charities and supported by the Northwest Indiana Knights of Columbus Charities.

Eleanor and Stephen Bolanowski
Mary Briggs
Herb and Kathy Cleve
Joseph and Theresa Codespoti, Presidents
Reverend Raymond Fowerbaugh
Reverend Patrick Gaza
Robert Hynes
Mary Kochis
Betty Maginot
Peggy and Jack McGuckin
Reverend Theodore Mens
John and Bette Joe Morrison
Jutta Mulcahey
Sister Joan Marie Massaura

Reverend John Murzyn
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Rose Popovic, staff
Jane and Alex Saims
Polly Sarros
Reverend Joseph Semancik, Secretary
Reverend John Siekierski
Rudy Silich
Dorothy and Victor Travis
Reverend Joseph Viater
Bob and Alice Wohler
Betsy Yurko

The Family Life Commission membership is comprised of representatives from family lay ministry organizations, the six Vicariates, and religious personnel involved with Diocesan-wide programs and organizations. The organizations involved are: *Apostolate for the Handicapped, Catholic Charities, Catholic Family Service, Catholic Schools, Catholic Youth Organization, Charismatic Renewal, Christian Family Movement, Compassionate Friends, Confraternity for Christian Doctrine, Couple to Couple League, Cursillo, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, Family Enrichment, Harvest House, Indiana Catholic Conference, Knights of Columbus, Marriage Preparation, Marriage Tribunal, Missionaries of the Eternal Word, North American Conference of Separated and Divorced Catholics, Parish Outreach, Pastoral Council, Priests Senate, Pro-Life Office (Gary Diocese), Secular Franciscan Order, Serra International Clubs, Sisters Senate and Worldwide Marriage Encounter.*

SUPPORTED BY AND FOR FAMILIES IN THE 1980's —THE DECADE OF THE FAMILY

Congratulations from the Mother Church of Gary (1874-1974)

In 1907, Father Thomas Jansen was sent from St. Bridget's Parish in Hobart to found a parish in the city of Gary. Father Jansen started Holy Angels Parish. St. Bridget's thus considers herself the mother church of all the churches in the city of Gary.

So, from the Mother Church in the Diocese —

CONGRATULATIONS!

The people of St. Joseph Parish, Hammond join with all the people of the Diocese in congratulations to our Bishop Andrew G. Grutka on the 25th anniversary of the Diocese of Gary.

Throughout the past 25 years we have been blessed with great spiritual growth and leadership and pray that God will continue to show us His favor.

THE BISHOP

Whence you ought to know that the bishop is in the Church, and the Church in the bishop; and if anyone be not with the bishop, that he is not in the Church.

— Saint Cyprian: *Letters*, 68, 8.

St. Margaret Mary Parish of Hammond, Indiana, in the year of our 35th anniversary as a parish, wishes to extend our congratulations to Bishop Grutka and the Diocese of Gary on their Silver Jubilee.

GARY — Cathedral of the Holy Angels on February 25, 1957. A solemn moment during the Mass of Consecration of Andrew G. Grutka as first Bishop of the newly created Diocese of Gary. All the dignitaries in this photograph are deceased. They are (l. to r.) Father Carl J. Holsinger, then Pastor of Saint Mary Parish in East Chicago, who is standing as Assistant Deacon to the Apostolic Delegate. Seated is His Excellency, The Most Reverend Amleto G. (later Cardinal) Cicognani, who was Apostolic Delegate in the United States from 1933 to 1958 and who established the Diocese of Gary and consecrated Bishop Andrew G. Grutka. Another Assistant Deacon at the ceremony was Reverend Monsignor Alfred W. Reinig, Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Hammond. On the far right is the Master of Ceremonies to the Apostolic Delegate, Monsignor (later Bishop) Gerald V. McDevitt. Monsignor McDevitt later became an Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia and died in that post on September 20, 1980.

Pope John XXIII meets in private audience with Bishop Andrew G. Grutka in his study at the Vatican offices in 1962.

Rest In Peace

Please pray for these deceased members of the clergy who have served the Diocese of Gary in its 25 year history

PRELATES OF THE PAPAL HOUSEHOLD

	DATE OF DEATH
Monsignor Michael Abraham	December 14, 1960
Monsignor Casimir Bickauskas	April 29, 1957
Monsignor John P. Biernacki	August 6, 1960
Monsignor Michael A. Campagna	July 25, 1979
Monsignor H. James Conway	January 4, 1968
Monsignor Julian F. Doktor	May 14, 1965
Monsignor Lawrence T. Grothouse	February 15, 1970
Monsignor Francis X. Guerre	December 27, 1956
Monsignor Leo P. Hildebrandt, P.A.	December 3, 1979
Monsignor Francis J. Jansen, P.A.	December 26, 1967
Monsignor Alvin J. Jasinski	January 14, 1969
Monsignor Louis W. Michalski	October 9, 1974
Monsignor Clement M. Mlinarovich	May 15, 1971
Monsignor Michael A. Petzold	August 20, 1965
Monsignor Alfred W. Reinig	December 19, 1963
Monsignor Julian J. Skrzypinski, P.A.	October 16, 1973
Monsignor John A. Sullivan	January 3, 1972
Monsignor W. Edward Sweigart	February 19, 1970
Monsignor Edward H. Vurpillat	June 20, 1969
Monsignor Frederick J. Westendorf	February 8, 1963
Monsignor Stanley F. Zjawinski, P.A.	November 26, 1968

DIOCESAN PRIESTS

Reverend Henry J. Ameling	January 12, 1970
Reverend Anthony A. Balczun	January 23, 1977
Reverend John F. Bart	April 22, 1970
Reverend Cornelius P. Bergan	May 30, 1961
Reverend Peter A. Biegel	March 24, 1960
Reverend Edward M. Boney	January 29, 1971
Reverend Louis F. Bozik	June 9, 1959
Reverend Joseph A. Buczyna	January 12, 1976
Reverend John N. Chylewski	May 23, 1965
Reverend John A. Costello	April 27, 1972
Reverend Raymond G. Derrick	July 9, 1963
Reverend Antoniu Dunca	June 24, 1981
Reverend Louis G. Duray	June 15, 1966
Reverend Edwin E. Eisenhardt	April 21, 1964
Reverend Robert E. Emmons	February 8, 1965
Reverend Michael C. Gadacz	December 25, 1971
Reverend Richard R. Grunenberg	January 4, 1969
Reverend Rocco J. Guerriero	March 9, 1968
Reverend David E. Hauskins	May 6, 1971
Reverend Eugene C. Hoffman	January 9, 1980
Reverend Carl J. Holsinger	June 20, 1978
Reverend Louis A. Jeziorski	April 6, 1973
Reverend Alfred J. Junk	August 23, 1957
Reverend Wencel A. Karp	June 7, 1970
Reverend Michael J. Kelner	October 8, 1980
Reverend Joseph A. Klinker	October 26, 1964
Reverend Clemens L. Koors	May 28, 1975
Reverend Ladislaus S. Krause	May 2, 1967
Reverend John J. Lach	May 9, 1960
Reverend Louis M. Letko	February 11, 1981
Reverend Edmund A. Ley	October 5, 1963
Reverend Wilfred P. Mannion	December 1, 1959
Reverend George A. Masley	January 11, 1969
Reverend Robert L. Mayhew	August 2, 1970
Reverend Patrick A. Meehan	March 8, 1969
Reverend Herman J. Miller	October 18, 1978
Reverend George J. Naudzius	January 14, 1963
Reverend Walter S. Pawlicki	October 29, 1980
Reverend Thaddeus S. Plawecki	March 14, 1967
Reverend Anthony M. Quinlisk	October 11, 1973
Reverend Louis J. Ratajczak	September 17, 1964
Reverend Paul J. Roederer	June 18, 1963
Reverend John B. Schaeffer	November 11, 1975
Reverend Eric A. Schaff	May 17, 1969
Reverend Herman A. Schoudel	September 2, 1970
Reverend Charles J. Seeberger	May 2, 1969
Reverend Frank A. Seimetz	April 17, 1965
Reverend Ermenegildo Senese	October 10, 1964
Reverend Henry A. Smartz	May 18, 1967
Reverend Matthew G. spebar	March 16, 1979
Reverend James A. Stapleton	October 26, 1981
Reverend Ambrose E. Switzer	January 11, 1967
Reverend August C. Van Rie	May 6, 1962
Reverend Gilbert G. Wirtz	April 6, 1981
Reverend Roman S. Wojcicki	September 8, 1963
Reverend Joseph S. Wonderly	June 29, 1976
Reverend John S. Woods	November 19, 1966
Reverend Joseph Zobel	January 30, 1967
Reverend John P. Zubak	December 26, 1976

RELIGIOUS PRIESTS

Reverend Gabriel J. Brenkus, C.PP.S.	April 17, 1962
Reverend Michael Homco, C.PP.S.	November 12, 1970
Reverend John Kostik, C.PP.S.	August 9, 1970
Reverend Joseph McNicholas, C.PP.S.	February 16, 1976
Reverend Albert Wuest, C.PP.S.	May 19, 1972
Reverend John T. Cherry, C.S.B.	February 21, 1973
Reverend Vincent C. Eckert, C.S.B.	February 5, 1978
Reverend Wenceslaus M. Ardas, O.F.M. Conv.	October 6, 1959
Reverend Fidelis Fajt, O.F.M. Conv.	January 13, 1967
Reverend Luke Brickel, S.C.J.	April 26, 1976
Reverend John P. Flanagan, S.C.J.	November 21, 1968
Reverend Julian J. Lubo, S.C.J.	June 4, 1963
Reverend Joseph P. Murphy, S.C.J.	September 26, 1977
Reverend Phillip Robenalt, S.C.J.	March 7, 1978

PERMANENT DEACONS

John P. Beda	December 25, 1972
Walter C. Stone	July 28, 1978

The favors of the Lord are not exhausted,
His mercies are not spent;
They are renewed each morning,
so great is His faithfulness.
My portion is the Lord, says my soul;
therefore will I hope in Him.

—Lamentations 3:

Robert D. Orr
Governor of the State of Indiana

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46204

February 8, 1982

His Excellency
The Most Rev. Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
Bishop of Gary
Post Office M 474
Gary, Indiana 46401

Your Excellency:

Please accept my sincere congratulations on the Silver Anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Gary and also your consecration as the first Bishop on February 21st. All Catholics, and especially those in northwestern Indiana, should be very honored.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

ROBERT D. ORR
Governor

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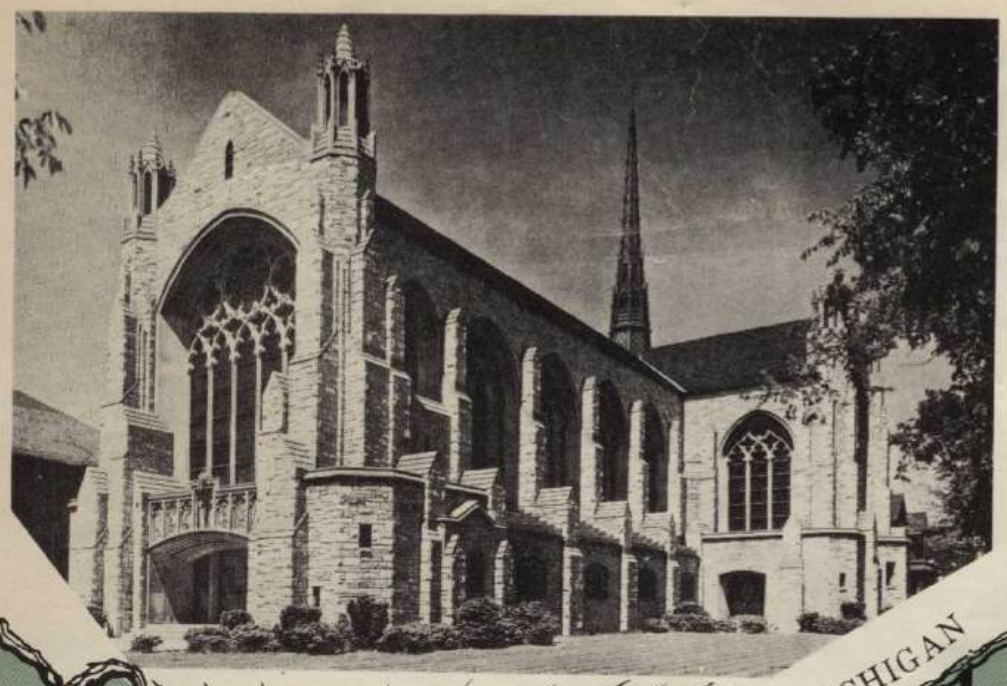

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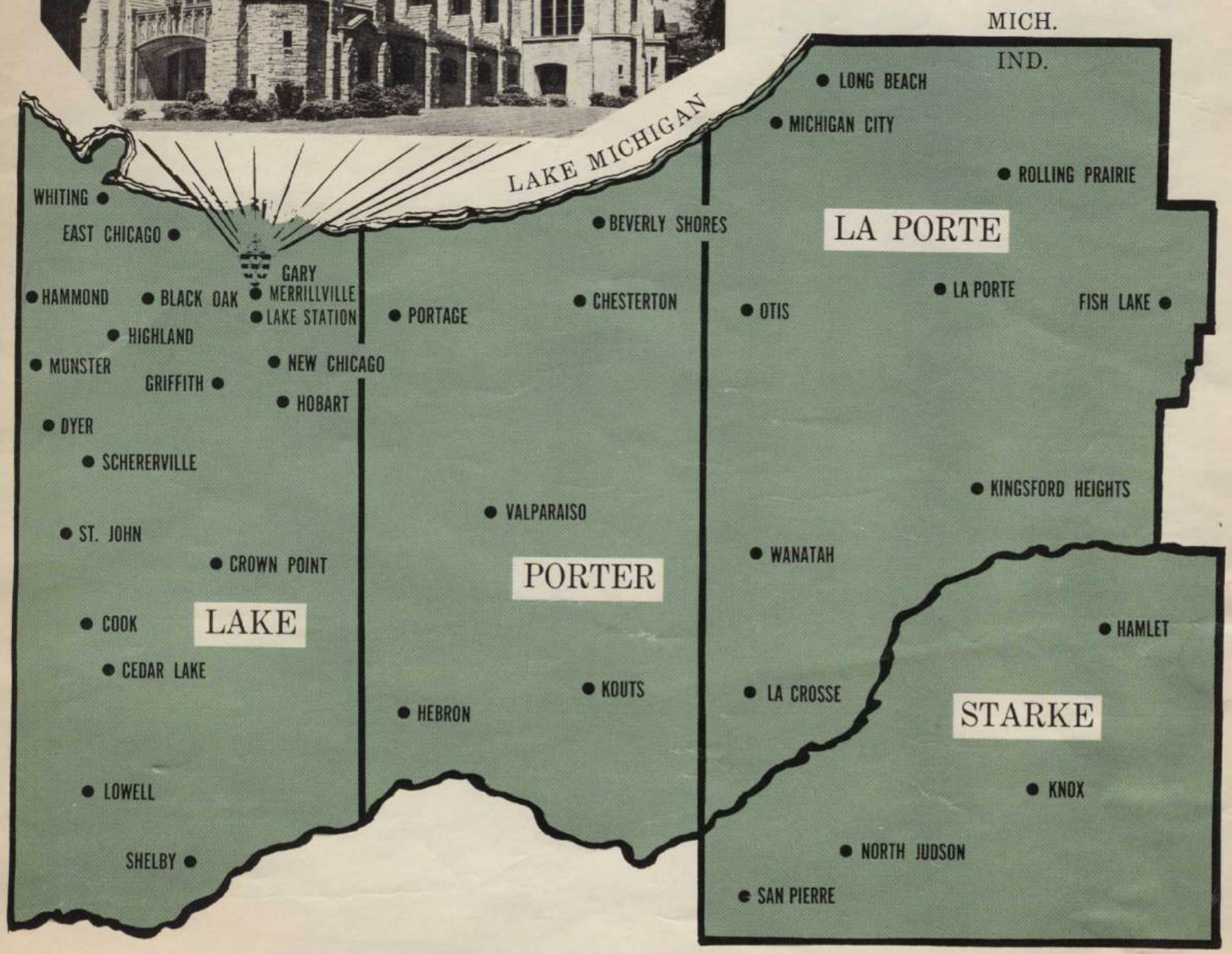


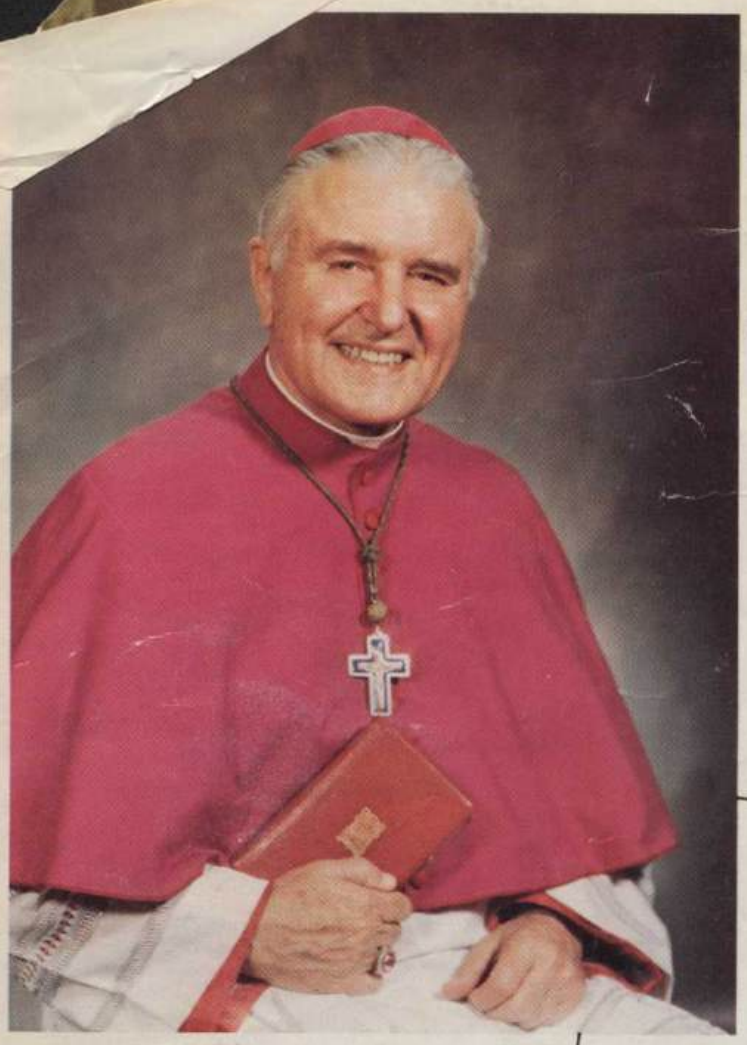
THE CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY ANGELS

The chief church of a diocese, in which the bishop has his throne **(cathedra)** and close to which is his residence; is called the cathedral. It is, properly speaking, the bishop's church wherein he presides, teaches, and conducts worship for the whole Christian community.

In the Diocese of Gary, this chief church is the Cathedral Church of the Holy Angels, located at Seventh and Tyler Streets in the City of Gary. Shortly after he announced his intention to form the new diocese of Gary in 1957, Pope Pius XII designated the Church dedicated to the Holy Angels as the Cathedral for this Diocese.

From the fifth century churches have frequently been dedicated to the angels. The word angel, signifying a messenger, is mentioned over two hundred times in the Sacred Scriptures. St. Paul says of them: "The truth is they are all spirits whose work is service, sent to help those who will be the h… salvation." (Hebrews 1:14). Angels are particularly revered as guardians of men and their feast is celebrated on October 2nd, the patronal feast of the Cathedral of the Diocese of Gary.

As the principal church of the diocese and the residence of its chief shepherd, the cathedral is preeminent among all the other churches of the diocese. Theoretically, the diocesan clergy are the clergy of the cathedral delegated by the bishop to minister in his stead to the distant members of his flock. Hence the clergy and people of the diocese should feel at home in their cathedral, and in its sanctuary find, by right, their place whenever occasion arises. There is much to bind the people to their cathedral, since it is there that t… al ordinations of all the clergy regularly take place and it is … ein the bishop offers worship to God on behalf of all



Most Reverend Andrew G. Grutka, D.D.
Bishop of Gary

668 Pierce Street
Gary, Indiana 46401

February 21, 1982

THANKS THANKS THANKS

My dear People:

Millions of prayerful thanks for the wonderfully kind memories which the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Diocese of Gary and its Bishop vividly recall. The participation of so many from far and near at considerable sacrifice transforms the mellow glow of a silvery event into the gleaming brightness of gold.Even the billowing clouds of smoke from the steel mills rising to the skies appear silver-lined with a fragrant scent of sacred incense.

The celebration of these two anniversaries, however, would mean nothing to any of us if it did not stimulate us to share our joys.

We were made for happiness - if we shun it, sorrow will become ours.

Joy and sorrow are the heights and depths of our human nature. No matter whatever else we can keep to ourselves independently of the rest of the world, none of us are independent in our joys or sorrows.

As we lift our hearts and minds heavenward in a spirit overflowing with gratitude, may we sense the tremendous power inherent in each of us for the creation of a climate of comfort and joy for those around us. Not to use this power when we can is often the cause of the cruelest of sorrows in others. It is an indication of a selfishness that ignores the needs of others and generates in them a bitterness filled with hate.

Pray that the remembrance of our amicable togetherness animates us to radiate with a human warmth that will promote the fulfillment of the biblical annunciations, "How good and how joyous it is for brethren to live together in unity" and "Where there is charity and love there is God."

May our prayers for each other enable us to know each other as does the Lord. We may be surprised a bit, but most surely we will be divinely elated.

Yours joyfully and gratefully in the Lord,

Andrew G. Grutka

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